

# TARGET SIMULATIONS FOR NDCX II\*

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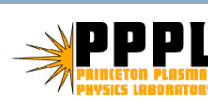
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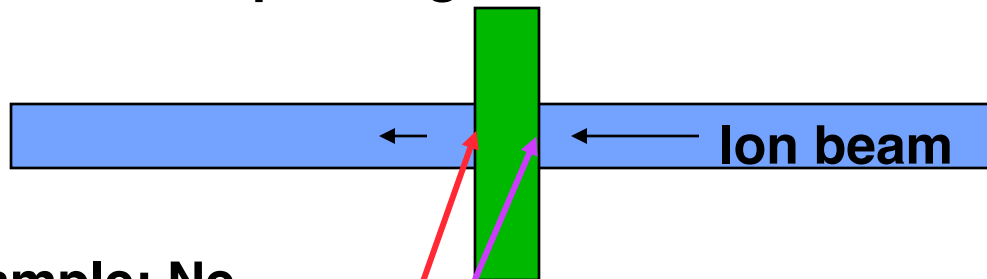
# Outline:

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- 1. Planar targets: exploiting volumetric ion beam energy deposition**
- 2. Machine tradeoffs: ion energy, pulse energy, and pulse duration**
- 3. WDM experiments:**
  - **Equation of state**
- 4. IFE relevant experiments:**
  - **Ion coupling: using ramped ion energy to maximize shock strength**
  - **Hydrodynamic stability**
- 5. Other target geometries: cylindrical and spherical bubbles, metallic foams**

# Strategy: maximize uniformity and the efficient use of beam energy by placing center of foil at Bragg peak

In simplest example, target is a foil of solid or “foam” metal



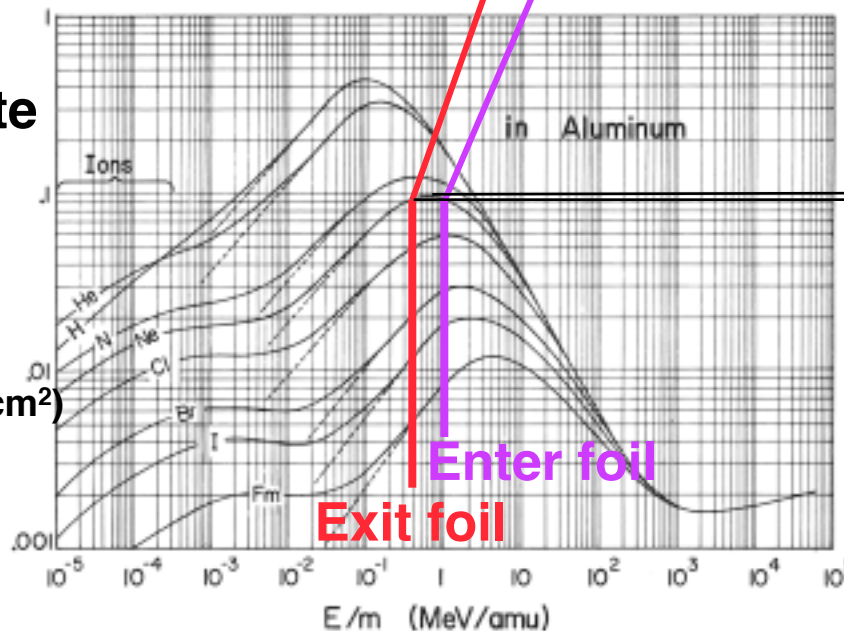
fractional energy loss can be high and uniformity also high if operate at Bragg peak (Larry Grisham, PPPL)

Example: Ne

Energy loss rate

$$-\frac{1}{Z^2} \frac{dE}{dX}$$

(MeV/mg cm<sup>2</sup>)



Energy/ion mass (MeV/amu)

$$\Delta dE/dX \propto \Delta T$$

In example,

$$E_{\text{entrance}} = 1.0 \text{ MeV/amu}$$

$$E_{\text{peak}} = 0.6 \text{ MeV/amu}$$

$$E_{\text{exit}} = 0.4 \text{ MeV/amu}$$

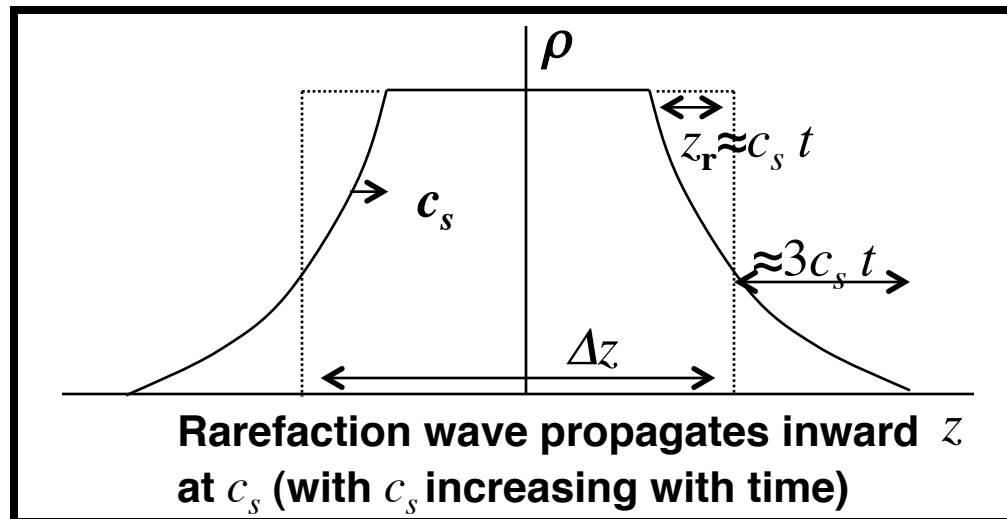
$$(\Delta dE/dX)/(dE/dX) \approx 0.05$$

(dEdX figure from L.C Northcliffe and R.F.Schilling, Nuclear Data Tables, A7, 233 (1970))

# Pulse duration must be short to avoid hydrodynamic expansion and cooling

$$\tau_{\text{pulse}} < \Delta z / c_s$$

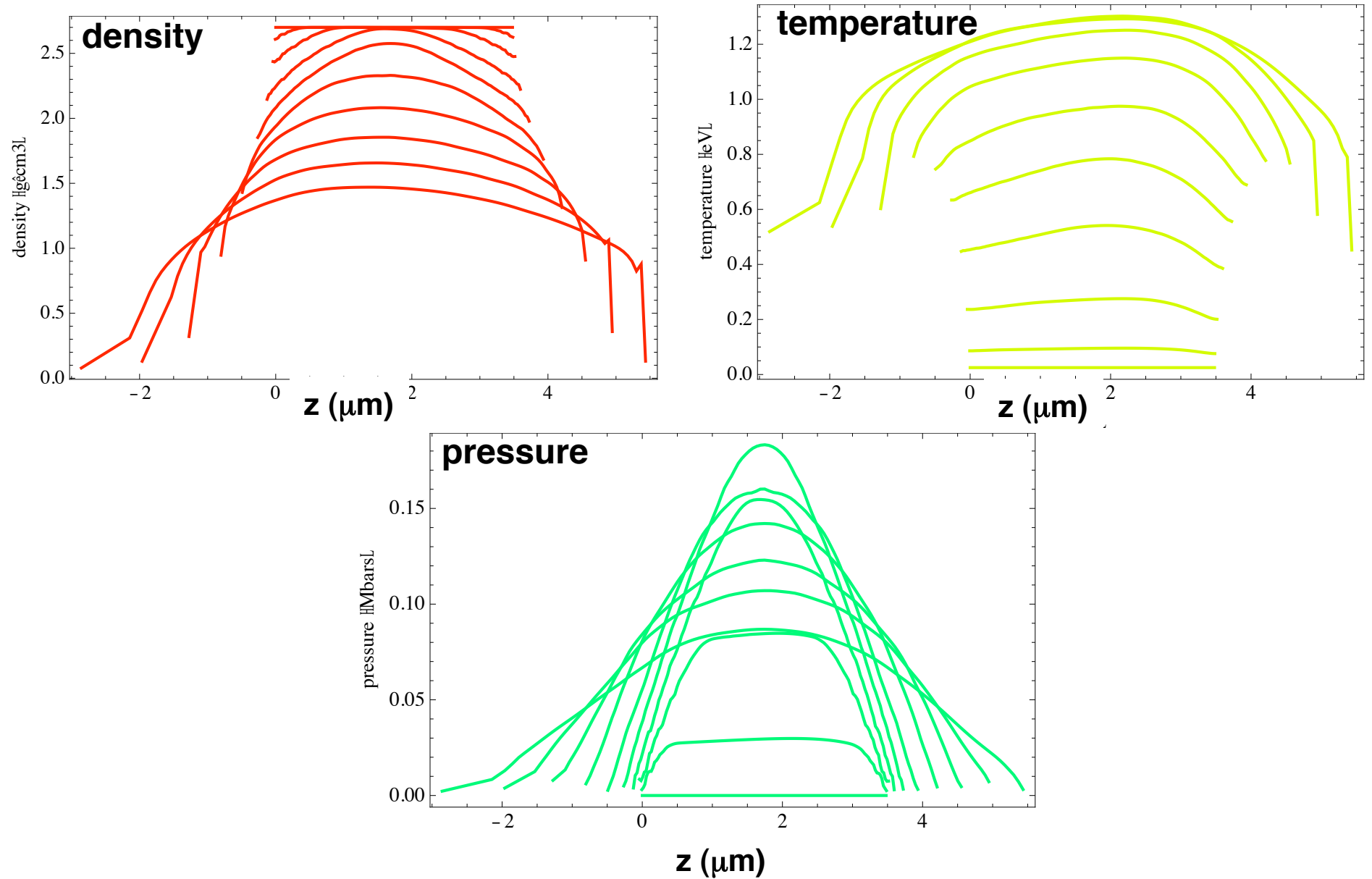
Here:  $\tau_{\text{pulse}}$  = pulse duration  
 $\Delta z$  = thickness of target  
 $c_s$  = sound speed



The heating pulse should be delivered in a time comparable to or shorter than the time it takes for a rarefaction wave to reach an interior point.

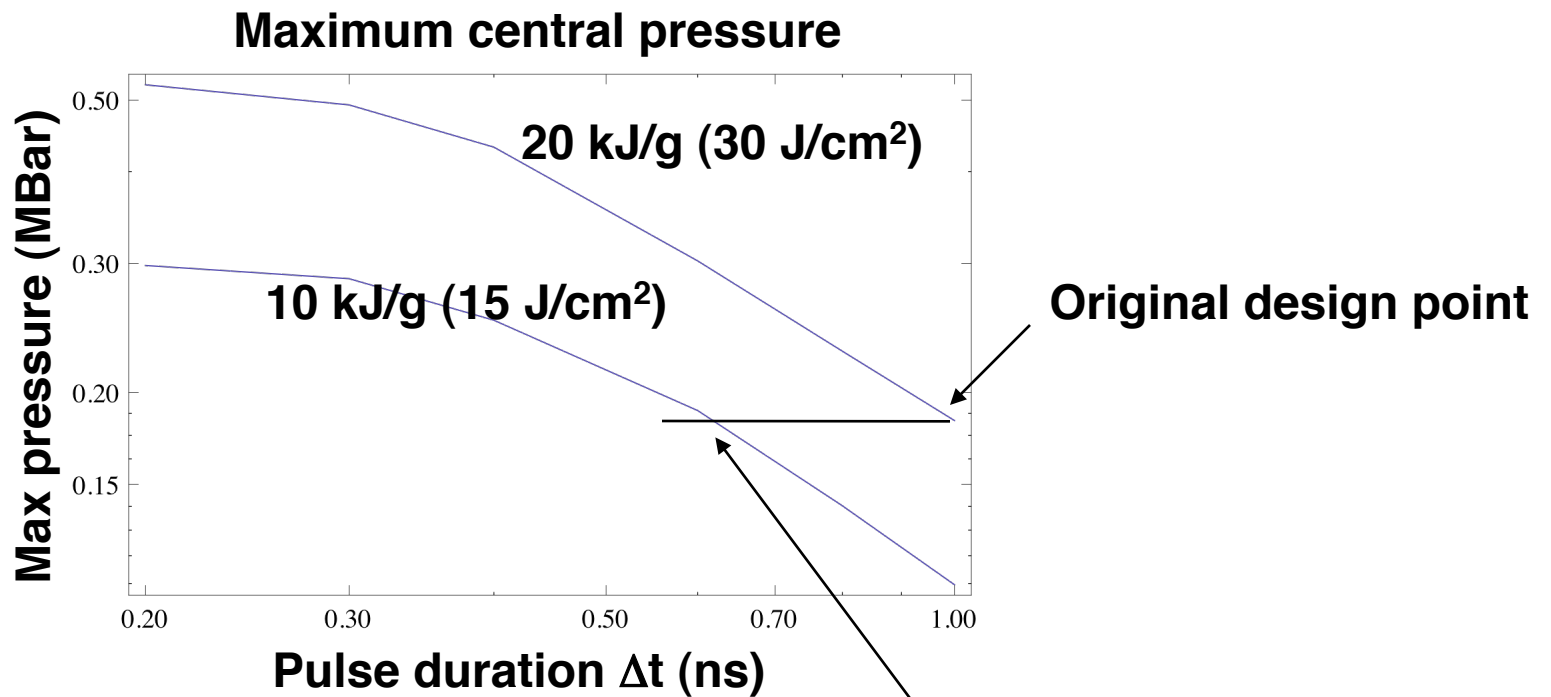


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## Recent short pulse configurations of NDCX-II reach high pressures at lower fluence via shorter pulse $\Delta t$

One figure of merit is central pressure in the foil, since it reflects both high density and high temperature

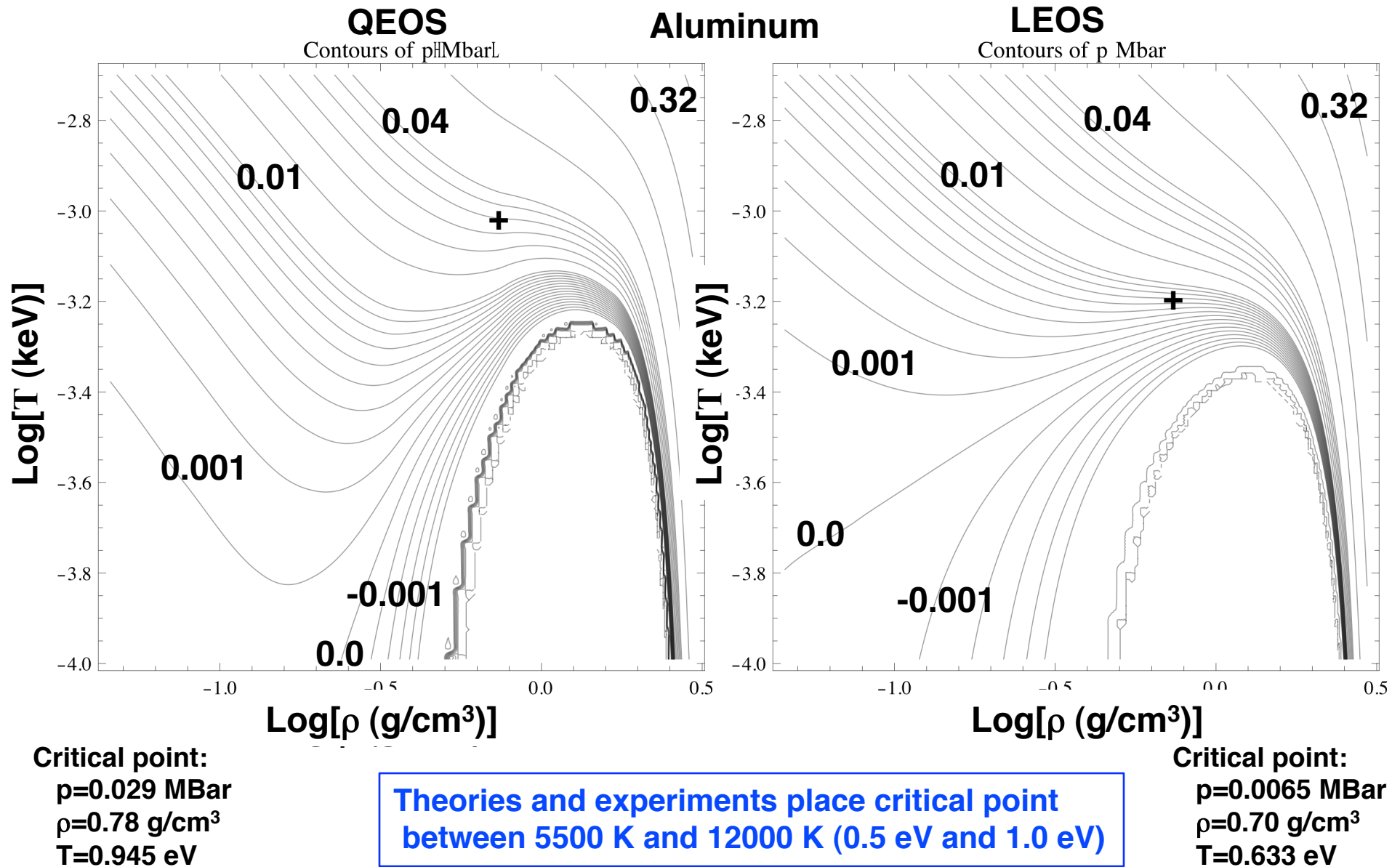


**Example:** If the pulse duration is reduced to 0.62 ns and the pulse energy reduced to 10 kJ/g, the same central pressure is reached.

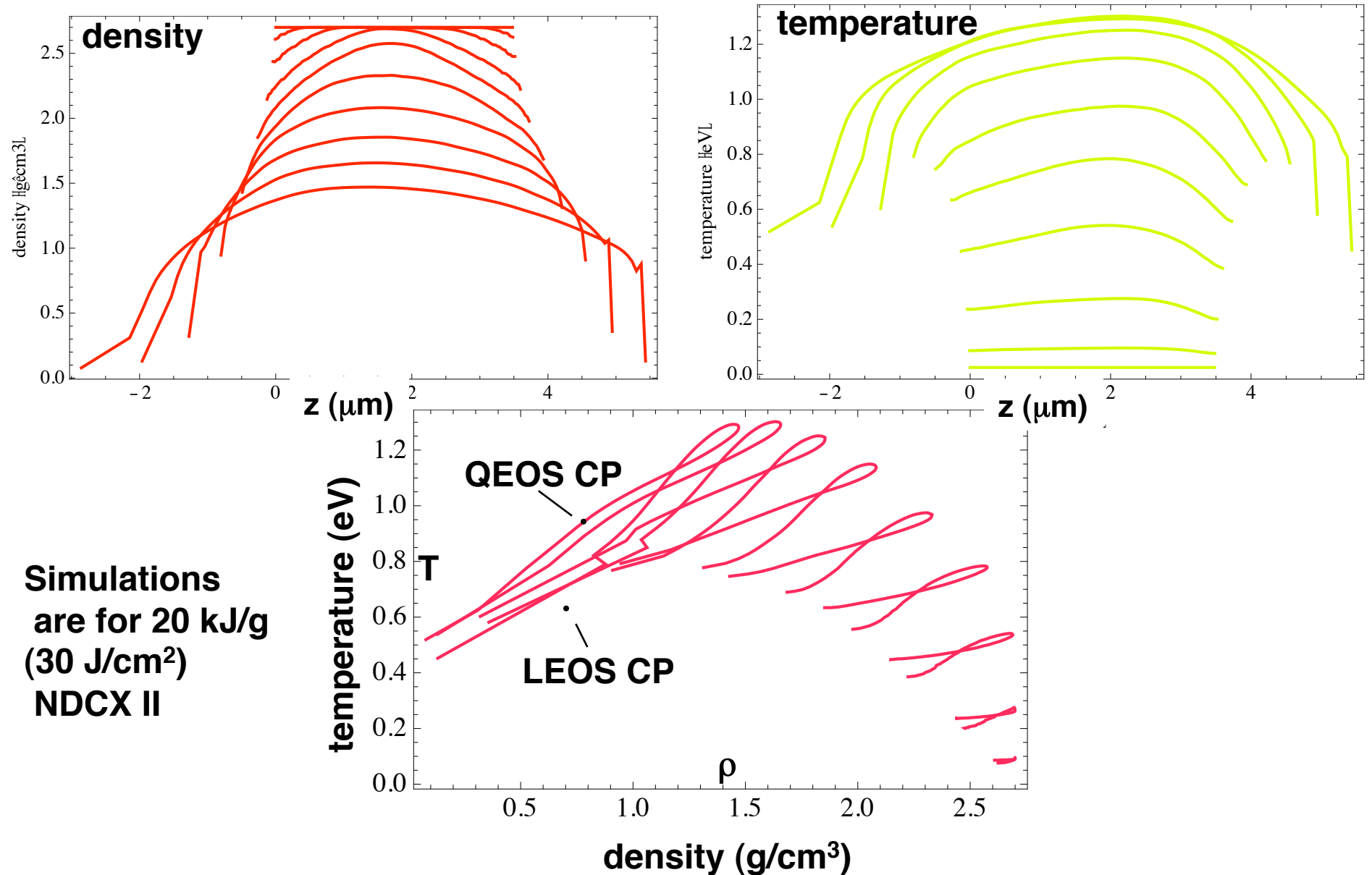
# NDCX-II potential performance for “well tuned” configurations

	NDCX-I (bunched beam)	NDCX-II construction project			NDCX-II 21-cell (enhanced)
		12-cell (baseline)	15-cell (“probable”)	18-cell (“possible”)	
Ion species	K <sup>+</sup> (A=39)	Li <sup>+</sup> (A=7)	Li <sup>+</sup> (A=7)	Li <sup>+</sup> (A=7)	Li <sup>+</sup> (A=7)
Total charge	15 nC	50 nC	50 nC	50 nC	50 nC
Ion kinetic energy	0.3 MeV	1.2 MeV	1.7 MeV	2.4 MeV	3.1 MeV
Focal radius (50% of beam)	2 mm	0.6 mm	0.6 mm	0.6 mm	0.7 mm
Duration (bi-parabolic measure = $\sqrt{2}$ FWHM)	2.8 ns	0.9 ns	0.4 ns	0.3 ns	0.4 ns
Peak current	3 A	36 A	73 A	93 A	86 A
Peak fluence (time integrated)	0.03 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	13 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	19 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	14 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	22 J/cm <sup>2</sup>
Fluence w/in 0.1 mm diameter, w/in duration		8 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	11 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	10 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	17 J/cm <sup>2</sup>
Max. central pressure in Al target		0.07 Mbar	0.18 Mbar	0.17 Mbar	0.23 Mbar
Max. central pressure in Au target		0.18 Mbar	0.48 Mbar	0.48 Mbar	0.64 Mbar

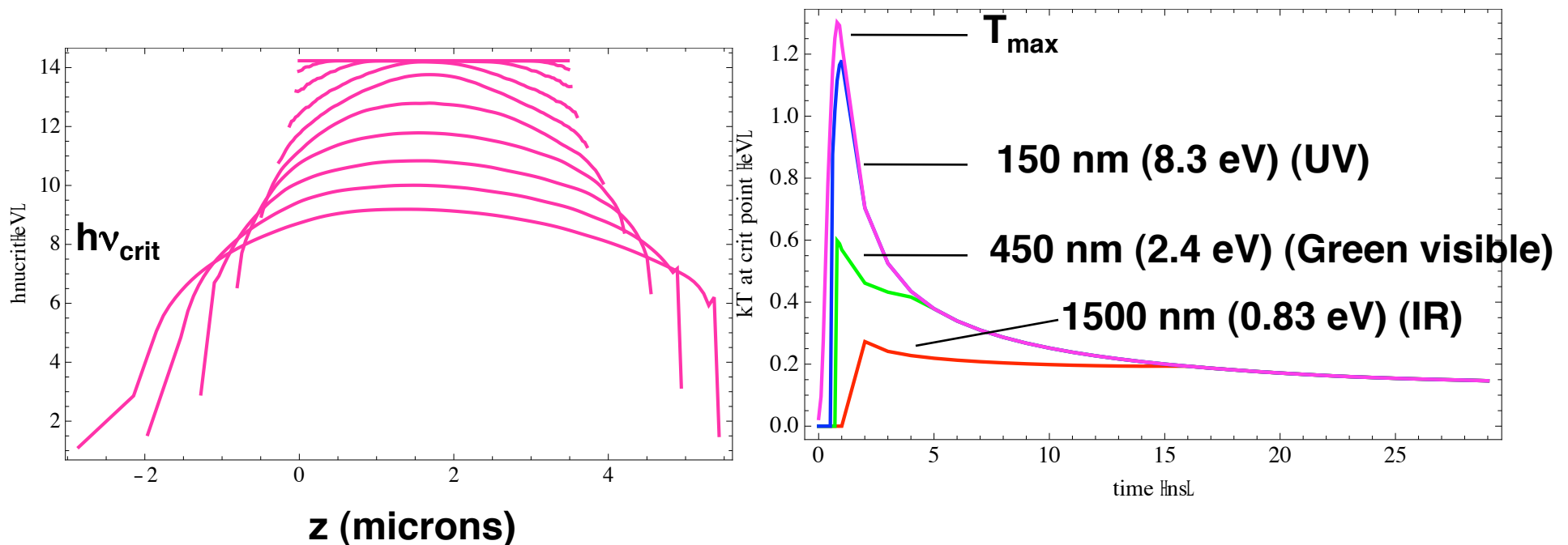
# WDM experiments: An example of two significantly different equations of state



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# Evolution of the temperature $T_b$ at the critical density for different observation frequencies



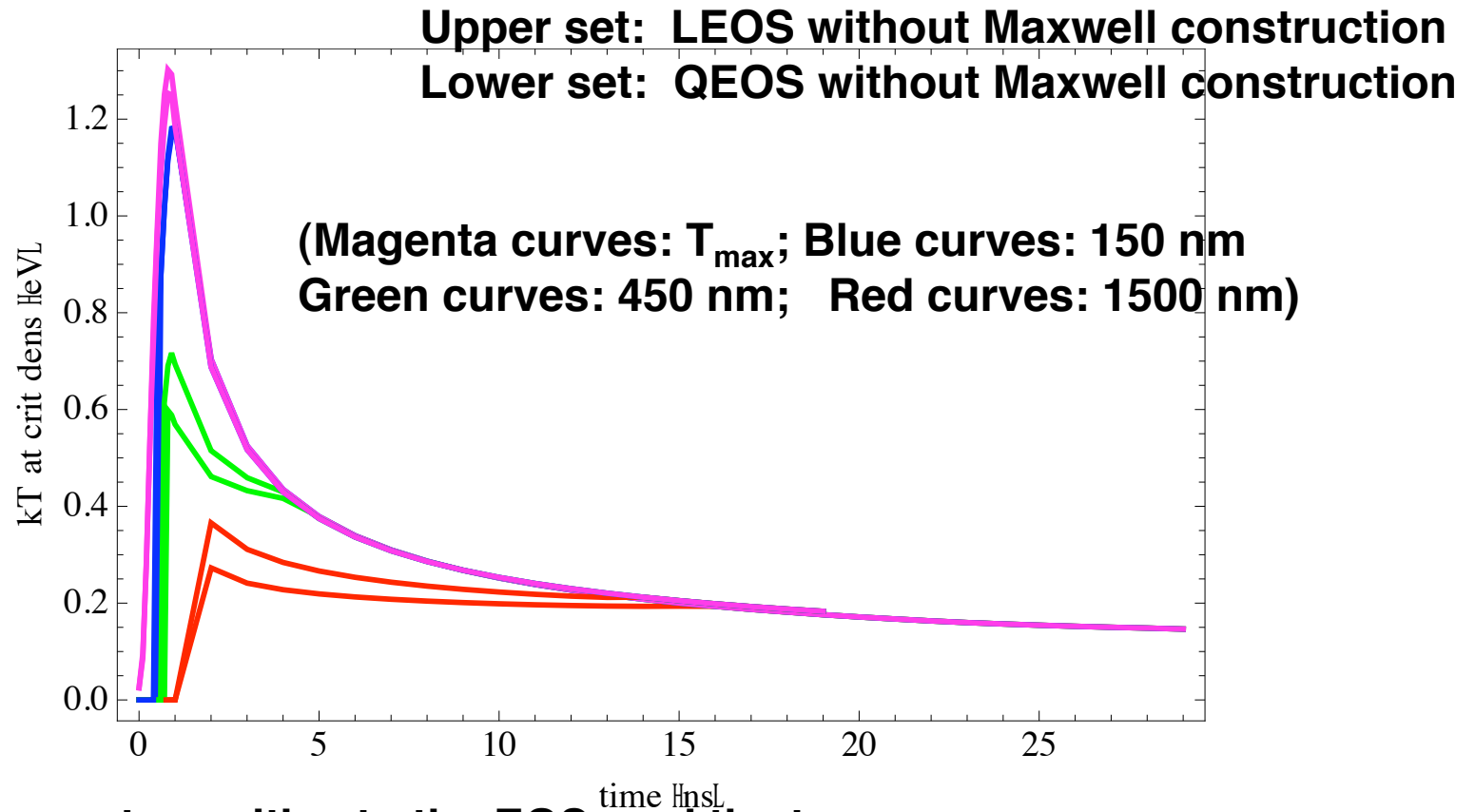
$$\nu_{crit} = \omega_p / 2\pi ;$$

Model assumes:

$$\begin{aligned} T_b &= T(h\nu_{crit}) \text{ if } h\nu_{critmin} < h\nu < h\nu_{critmax} \\ T_b &= T_{max} \text{ if } h\nu > h\nu_{critmax} \\ T_b &= 0 \text{ if } h\nu < h\nu_{critmin} \end{aligned}$$

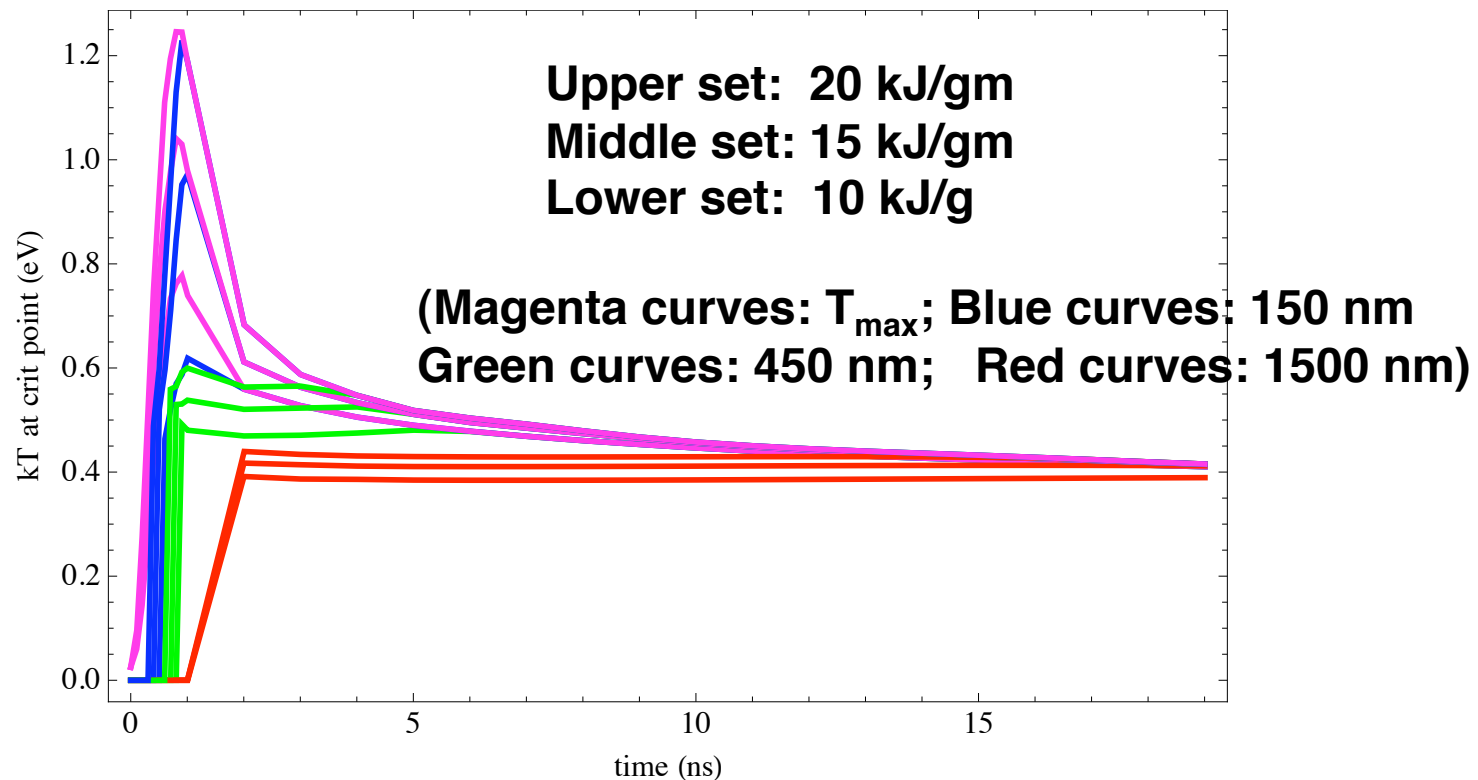
Pyrometry measurements of  $T_b$  will have significantly different profiles at different frequencies

## We may compare two equations of state



IR is most sensitive to the EOS, and the two EOS should be distinguishable

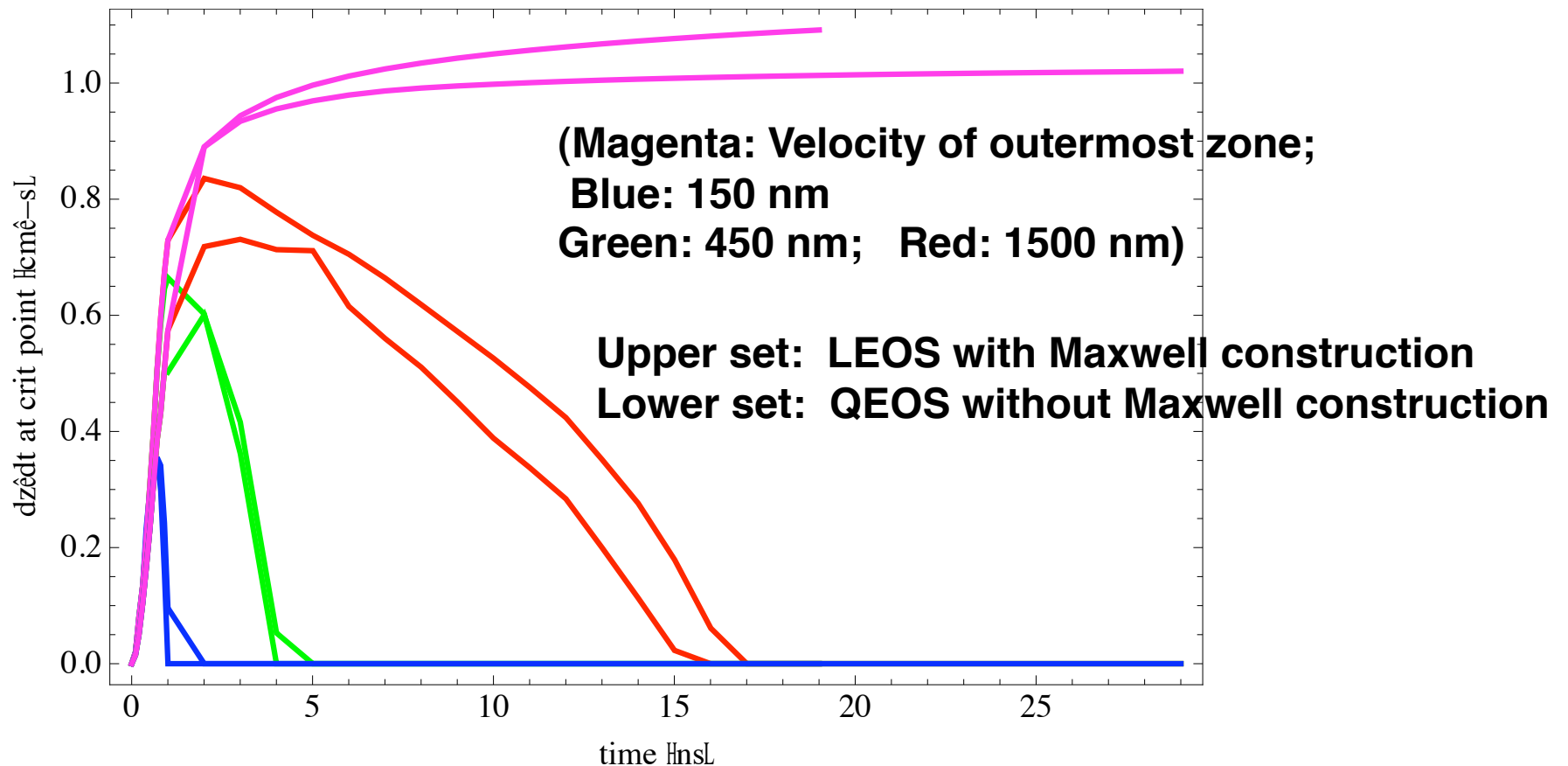
## We may compare the same plots for different intensities



(UV most sensitive to change in deposited energy;  
IR (which samples cooler part of blowoff, less sensitive))

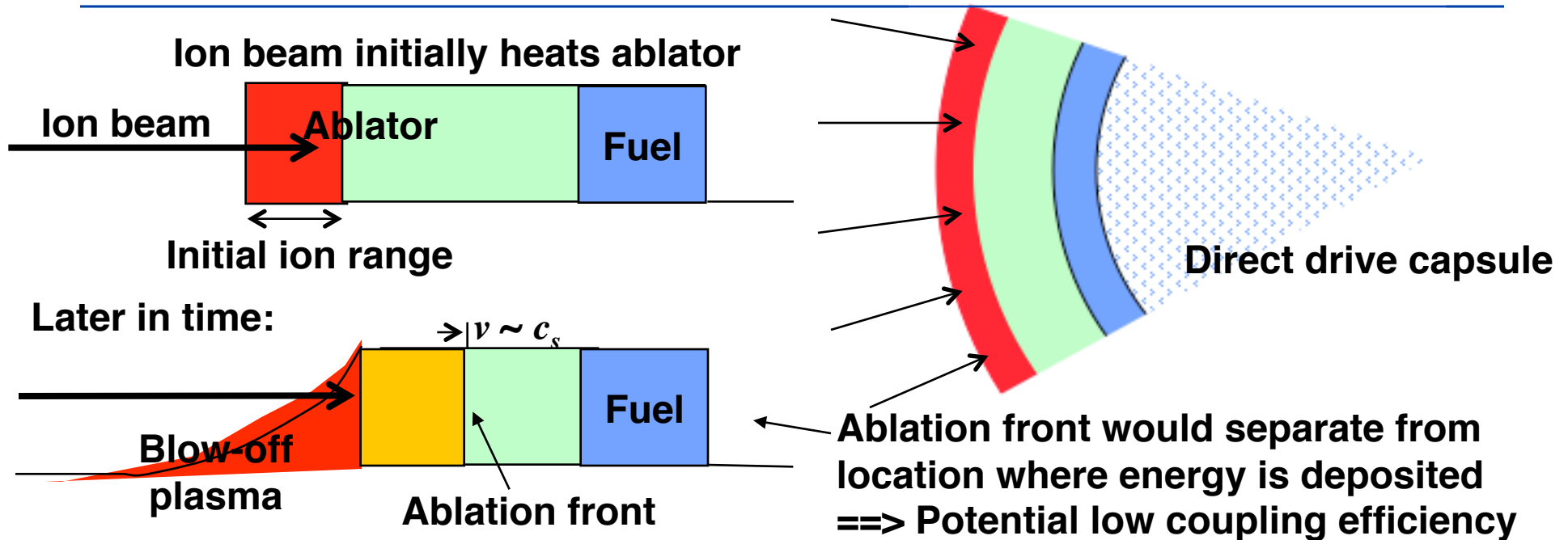


## The velocity at the critical density as would be observed by a VISAR would also distinguish between different EOS



Again, the IR is best suited for distinguishing different EOS

## NDCX II will also study ion beam coupling physics that is relevant to high gain direct drive targets for Inertial Fusion Energy



**Ramping ion beam energy over the course of the pulse, will increase ion range allowing efficient coupling of beam energy into kinetic energy of fuel shell**

# To "follow a shock," the energy ramping in NDCX II must be sufficiently fast

$$\Delta z \approx 2\mu(E/1 \text{ MeV}) \text{ (solid Al)}$$

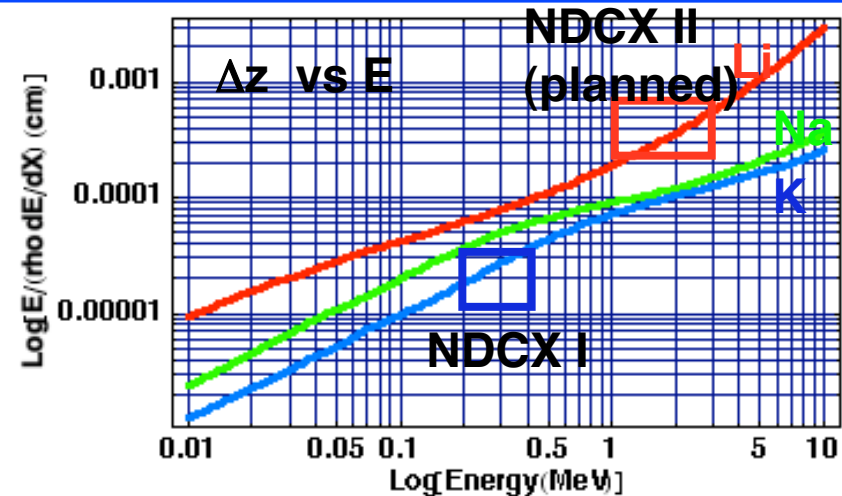
To keep pace with the shock,  
(where  $v_{shock} \sim c_s$ ) the energy slew must satisfy:

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = E \frac{c_s}{\Delta z} \approx 2.5 \frac{\text{MeV}}{\text{ns}} \text{ (solid Al)}$$

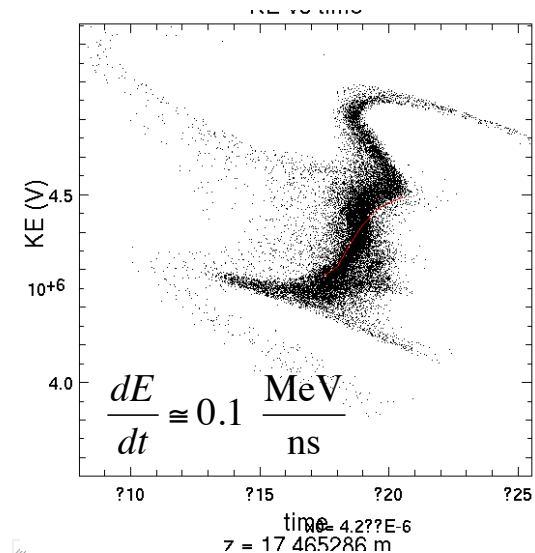
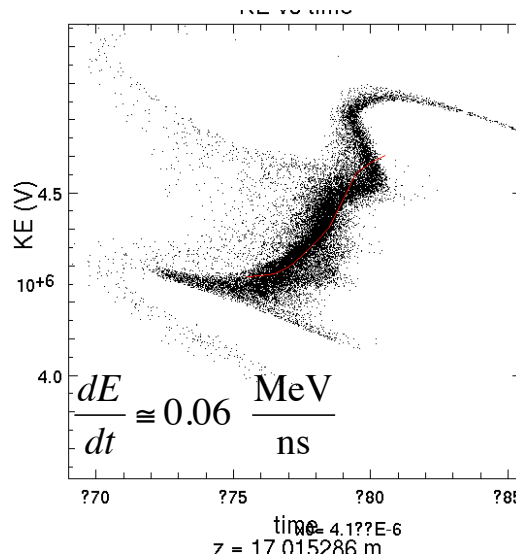
$$\frac{dE}{dt} \approx 0.10 \frac{\text{MeV}}{\text{ns}} \text{ (10\% Al foam)}$$

Placing foil upstream of best focus is simplest way to achieve energy ramp.

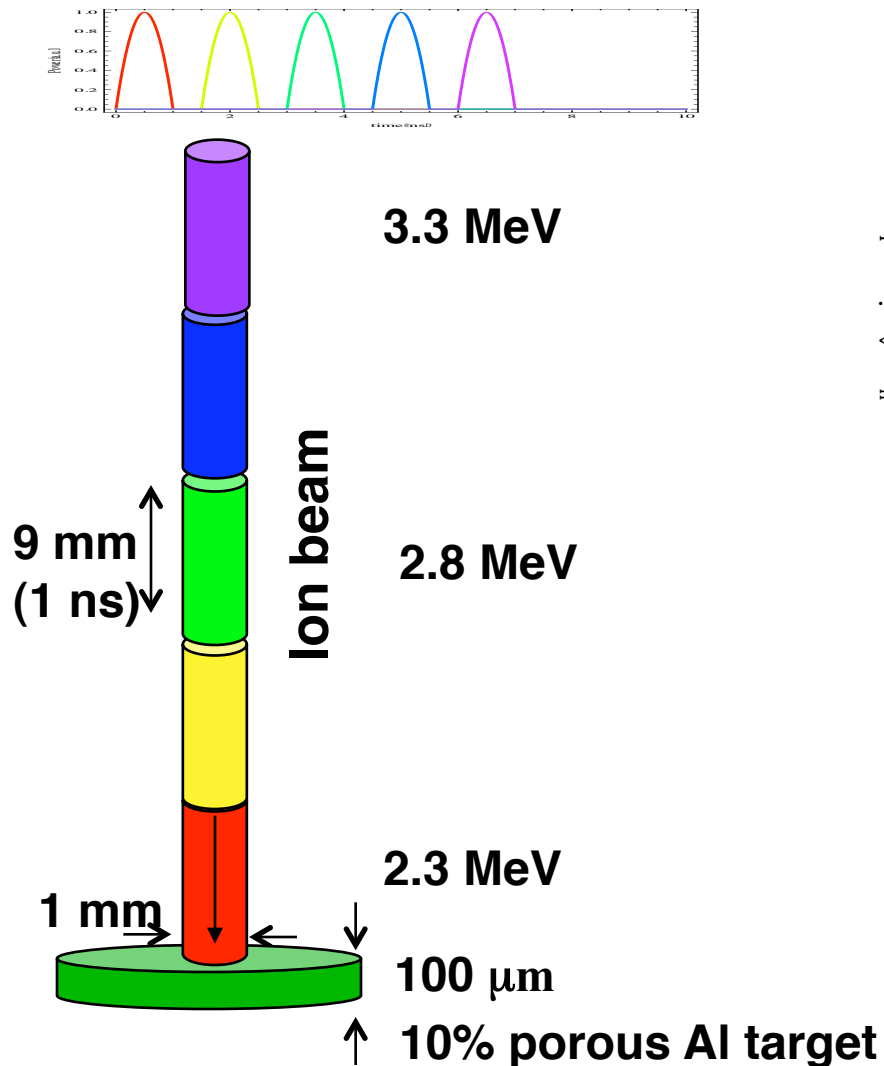
Using metallic foams or low density solids (e.g. LiH) could meet energy ramp requirement



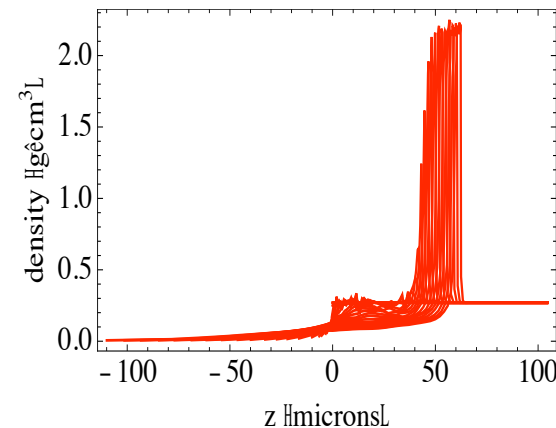
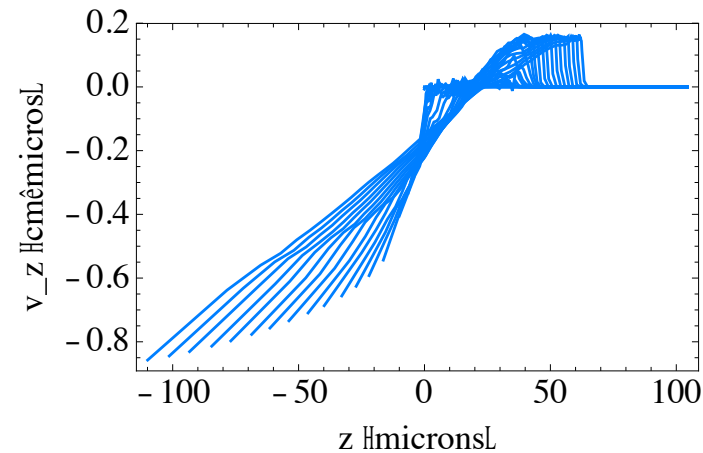
Initial look at energy slew rate on NDCX II (courtesy Dave Grote) :



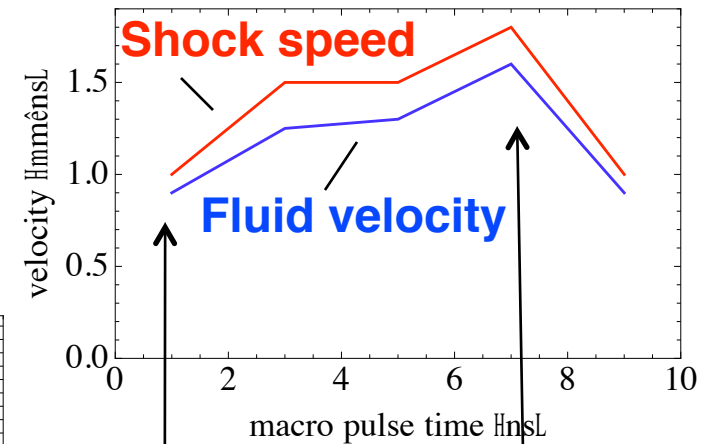
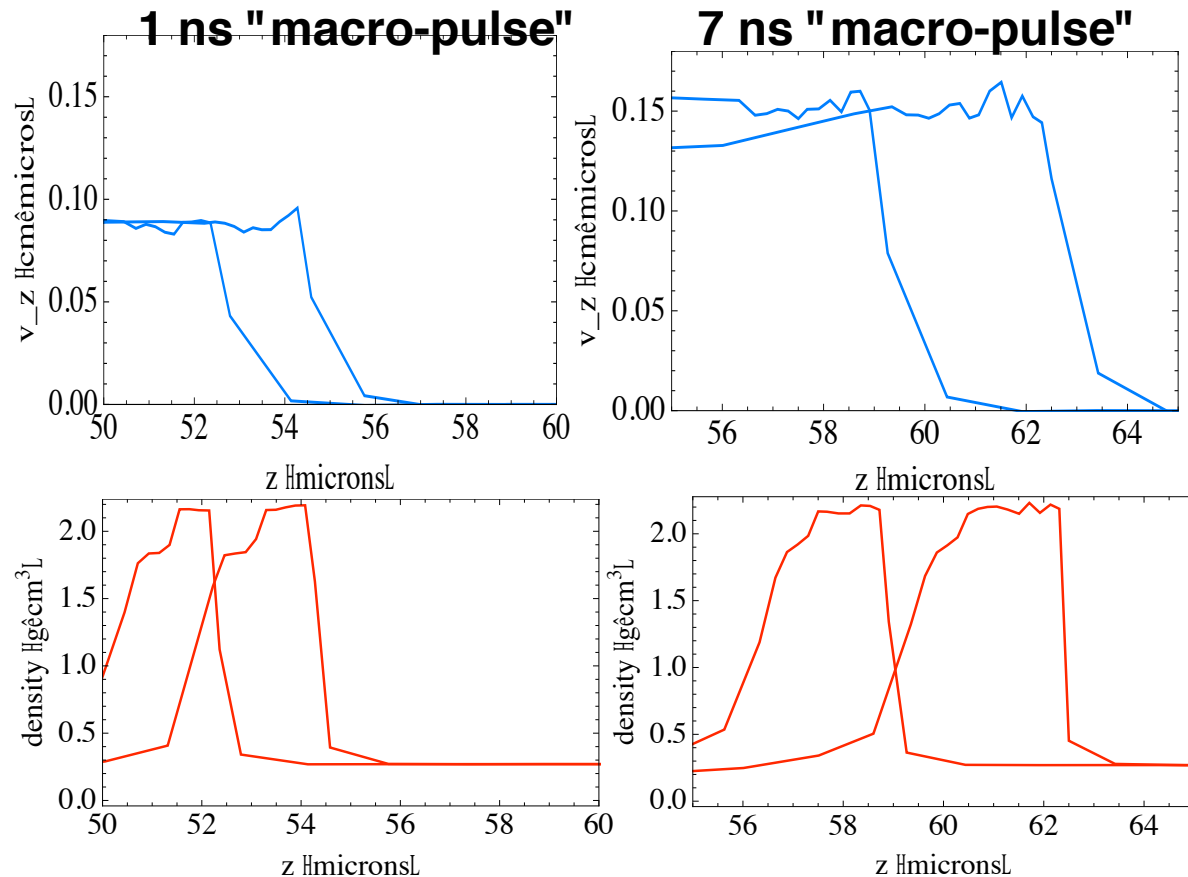
# HYDRA simulations show that experiments on NDCX II can demonstrate benefits of energy ramp on coupling



6 ns "macro-pulse"



# Shock positions at 18 and 20 ns illustrate the "sweet spot" at optimal slew rate



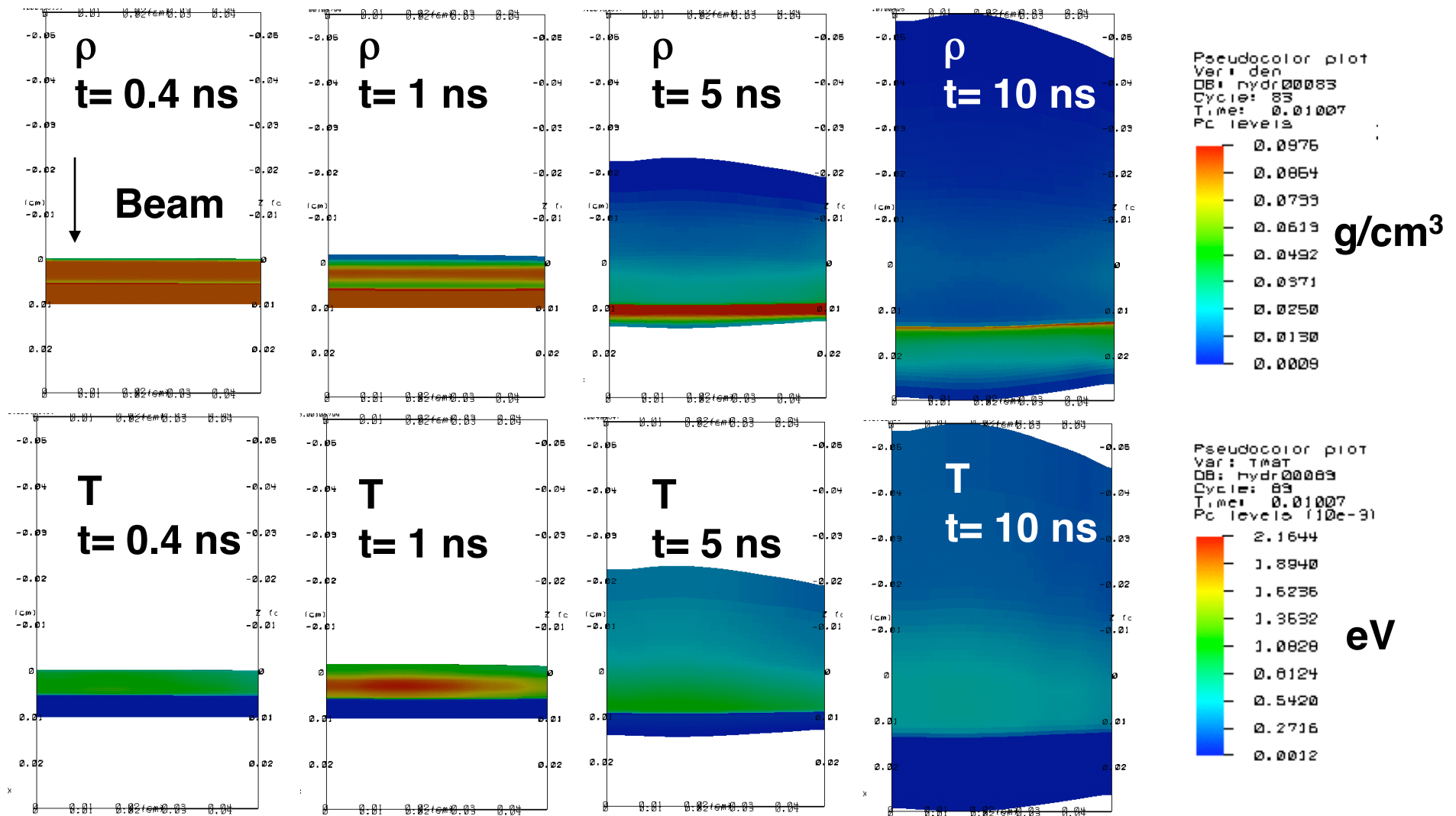
**At longitudinal focus**

**At optimal slew rate**

**$V_{\text{shock}} = 1.0 \mu/\text{ns}$**   
 **$V_{\text{fluid}} = 0.9 \mu/\text{ns}$**   
 **$\rho_{\text{fluid}} = 2.2 \text{ g/cm}^3$**

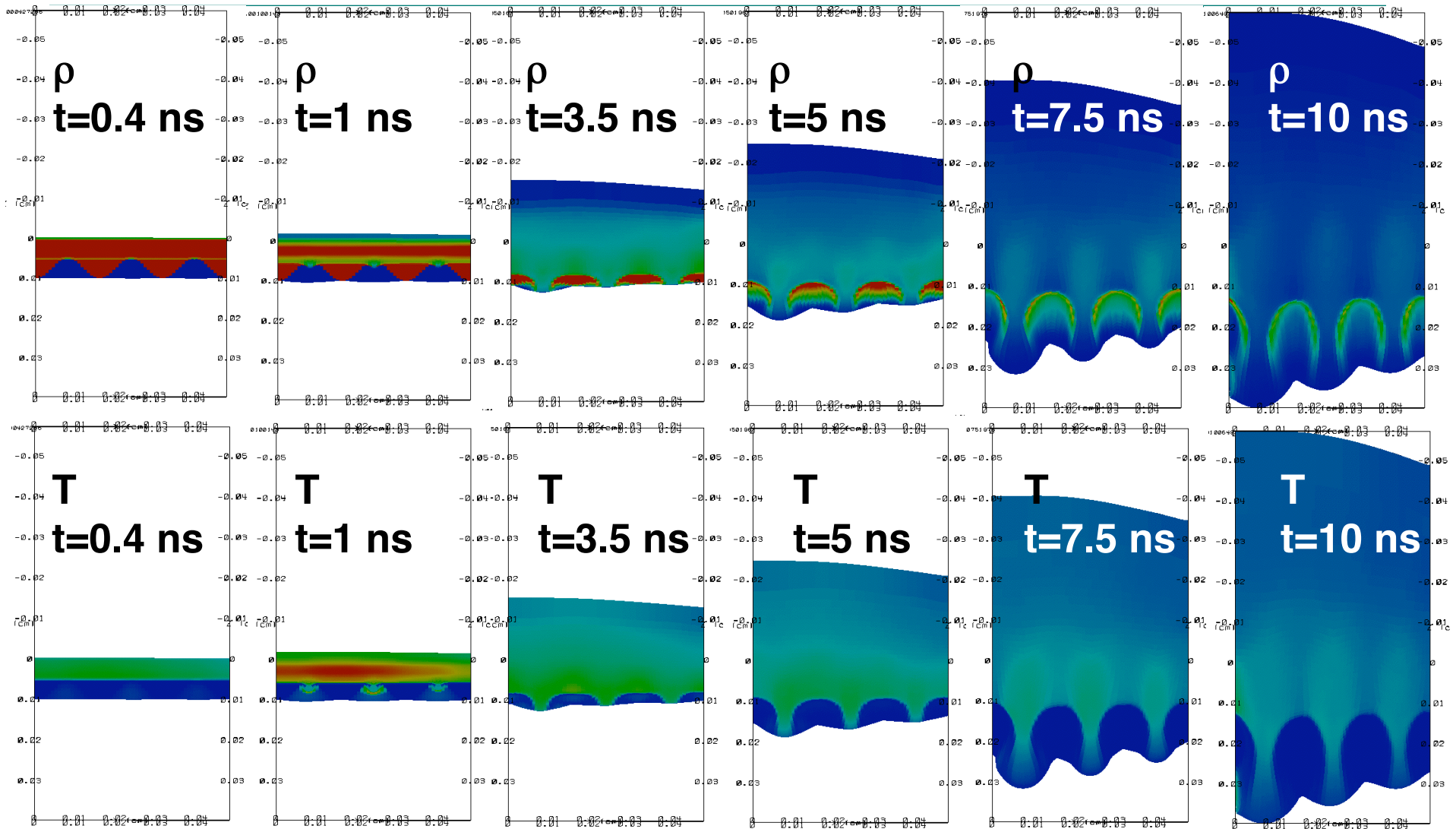
**$1.8 \mu/\text{ns}$**   
 **$1.6 \mu/\text{ns}$**   
 **$2.2 \text{ g/cm}^3$**

# HYDRA simulations using advanced NDCX-II parameters simulate possible hydrodynamic stability experiments particular to ions



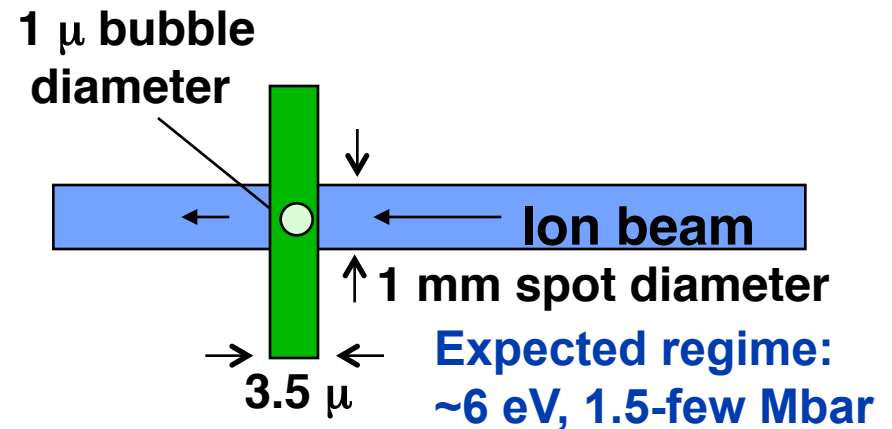
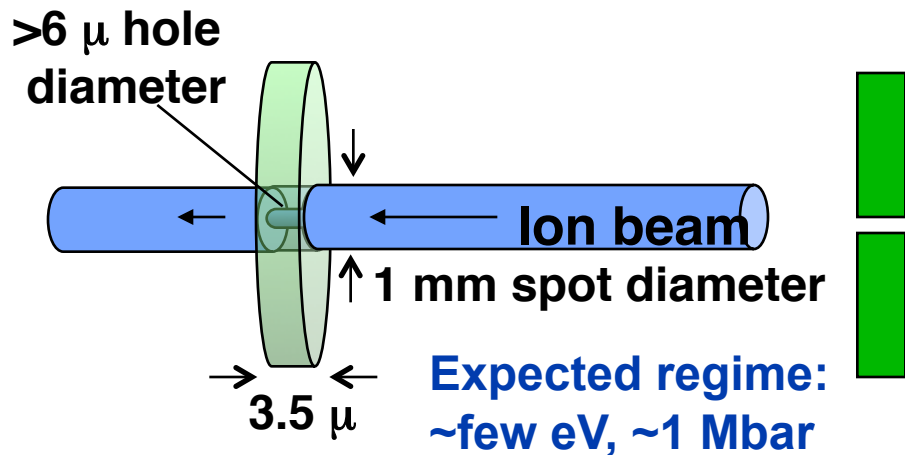
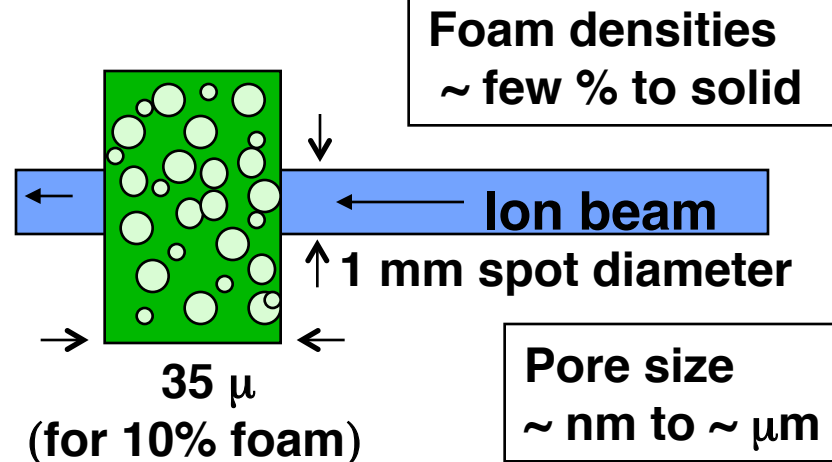
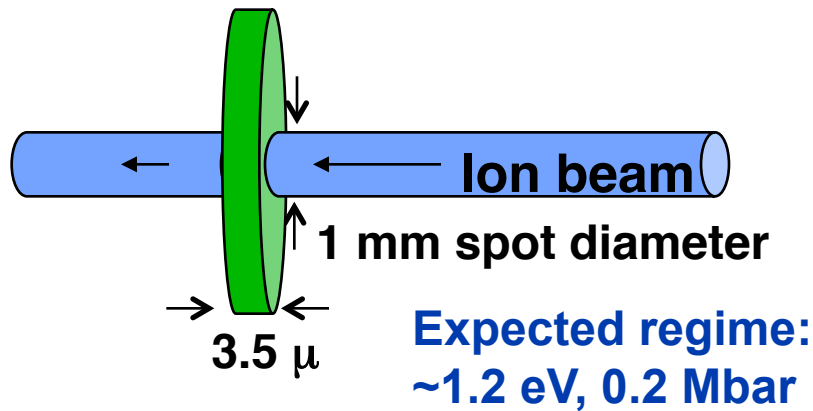
23 MeV Ne, 0.1  $\mu\text{C}$ , 1 ns pulse (NDCX II) impinges on 100  $\mu$  thick solid H,  $T=0.0012\text{eV}$ ,  $\rho=0.088 \text{ g/cm}^3$ ; **No density ripple** on surface, **blowoff accelerates slab**

# When **initial surface ripple** is applied, evidence for hydro instability is apparent





# Several target options have been considered for WDM and IFE studies on NDCX II





# Conclusions

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**NDCX II will be useful for both Warm Dense Matter (WDM) and Heavy Ion Fusion (HIF) applications**

**Recent accelerator designs achieve high pressures by reaching shorter pulse durations than initially anticipated but at lower ion energy and fluence**

**For WDM**, NDCX II pyrometry experiments should be able to distinguish between specific equations of state (for example, QEOS and LEOS). VISAR experiments may also be able to distinguish different EOS.

**For HIF**, we are exploring direct drive concepts that have high coupling efficiency, by utilizing ramped ion energy with increasing range. NDCX II will be able explore a key aspect of direct drive target concept: changing ion energy to keep ion deposition point close to shock front. Hydrodynamic stability experiments may also be achievable for some NDCX-II parameters

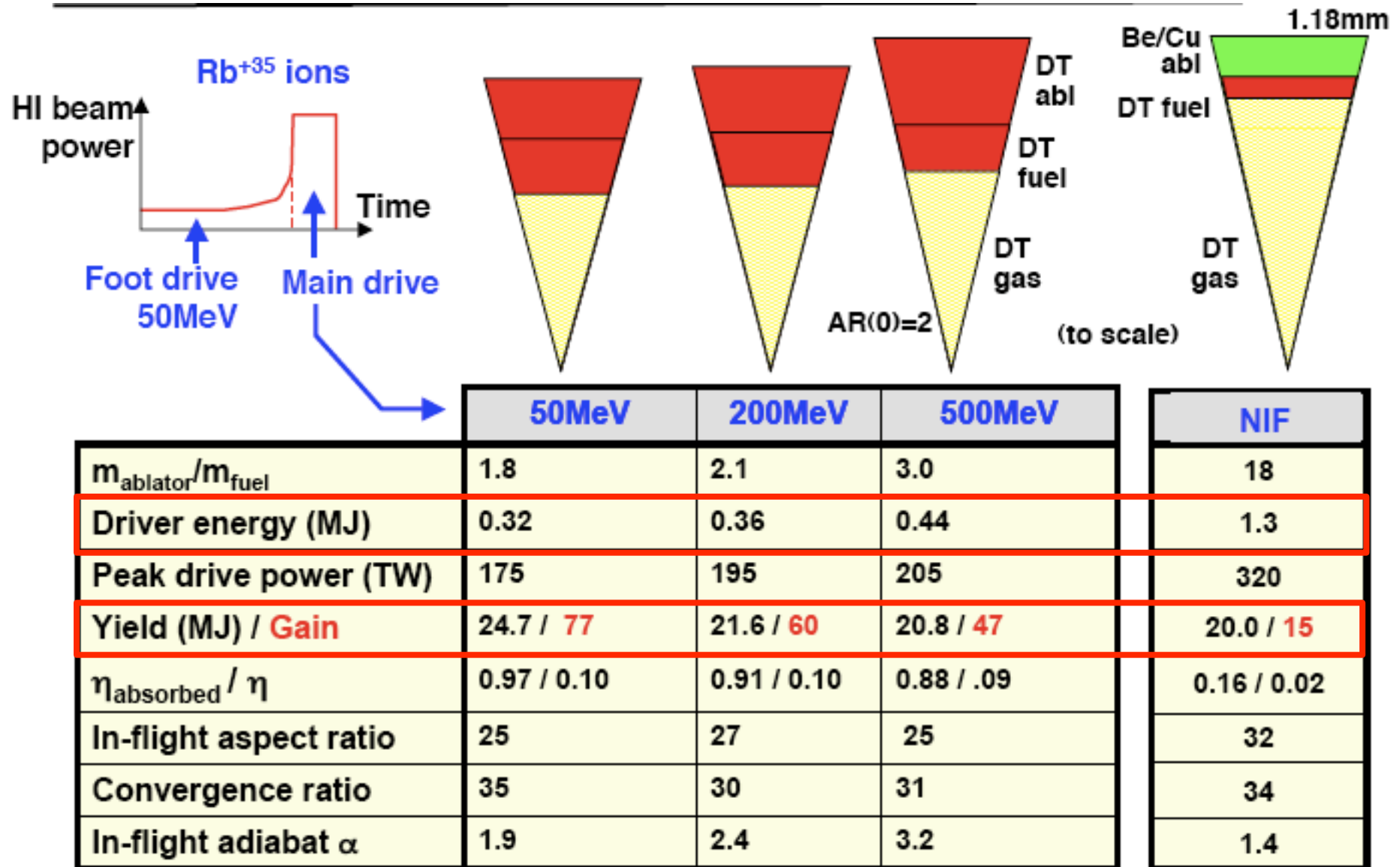
**Several target geometries lead to interesting material conditions**

- planar targets at  $\sim 1$  eV, .5 MBar (in Al) are predicted;
- cylindrical and spherical imploding bubbles will reach higher central temperatures and pressures, and probe ion driven hydro

**Foam dynamics are of interest for both WDM and HIF applications.**

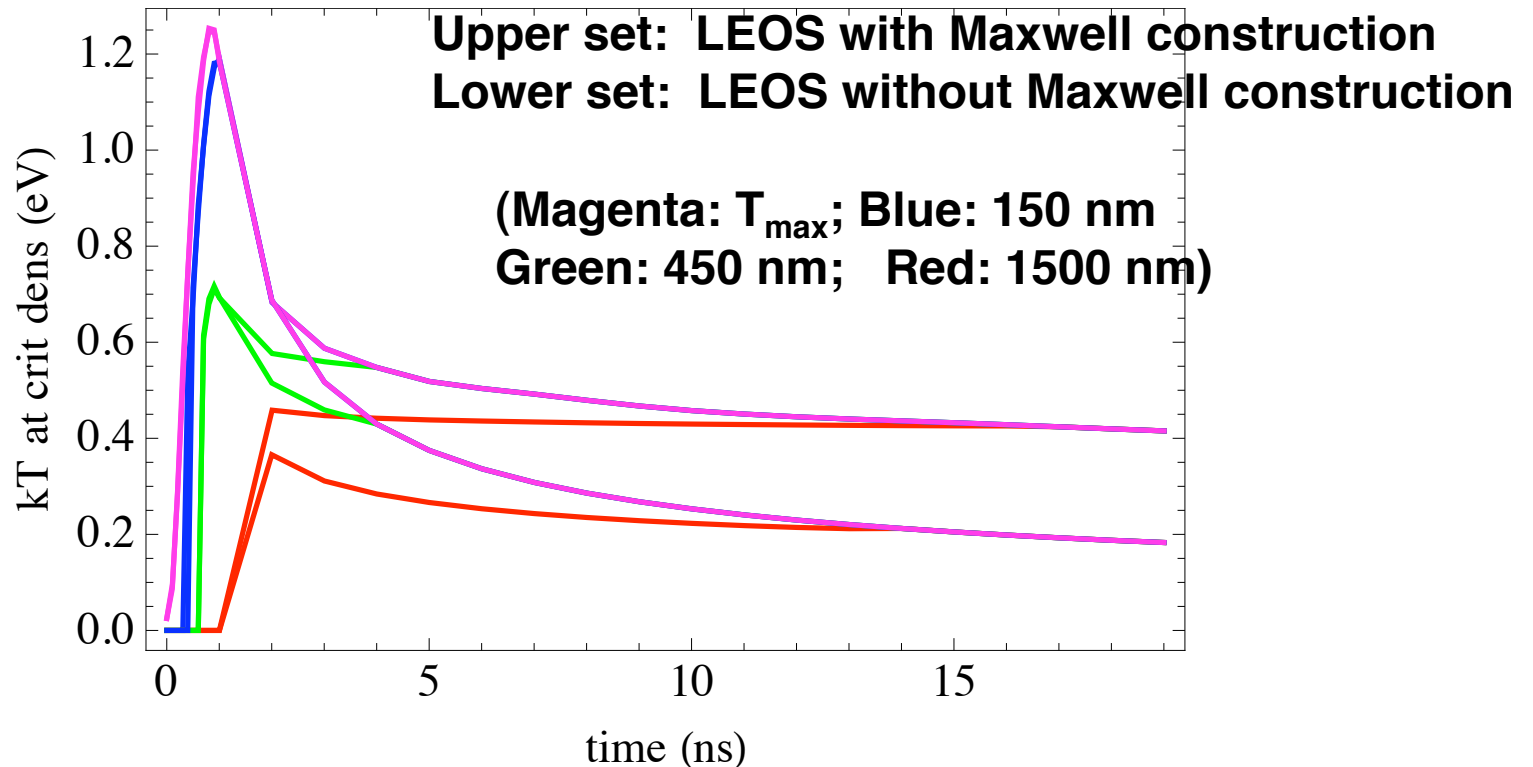


## Recent heavy ion capsule designs by Perkins show NIF target yields at 1/4 to 1/3 the driver energy of NIF



(from J. Perkins et al, Hirschegg Presentation, 2009).

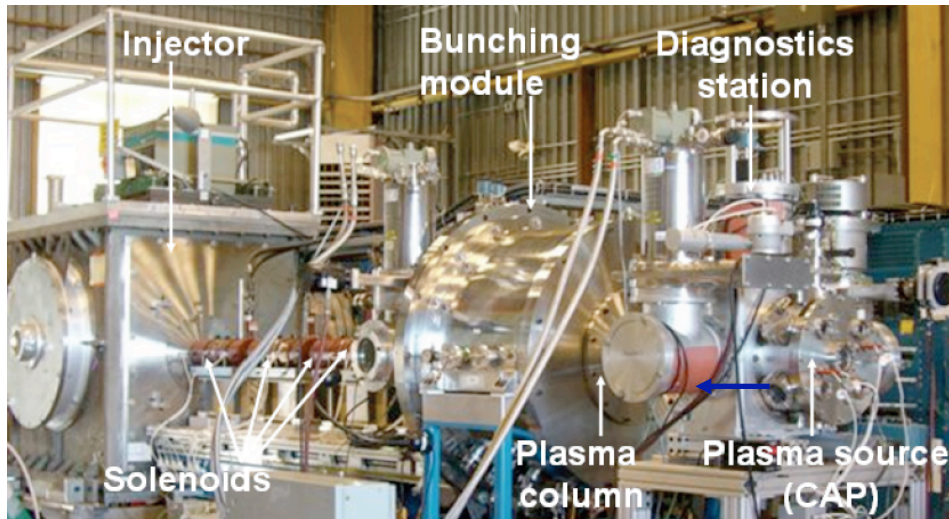
## We may also compare the same equation of state with or without the Maxwell construction



Now IR is VERY sensitive to the choice of Maxwell construction or no Maxwell construction. [Maxwell construction = equilibrium, (true for small droplets, but for big?); Non-maxwell construction = microscopically valid, but, simulation has insufficient spatial resolution to resolve small drops).

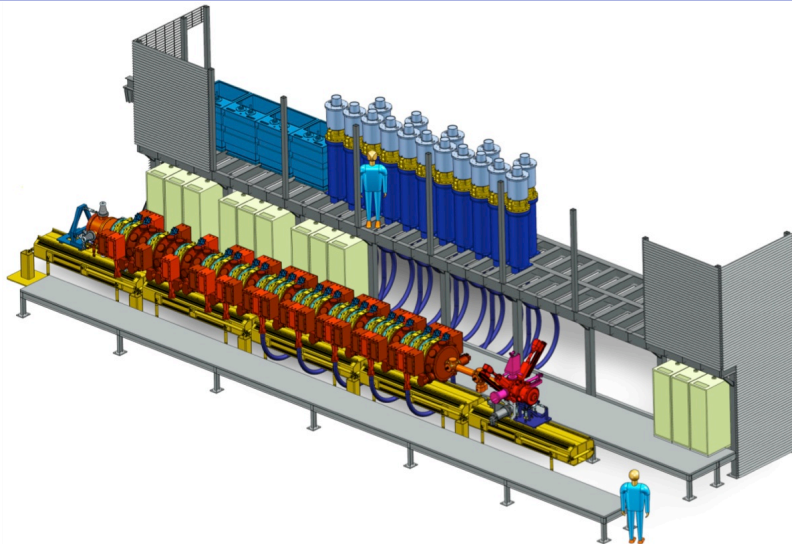
# NDCX I is laying the groundwork for NDCX II

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**NDCX I**  
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0.003  $\mu\text{C}$   
Now



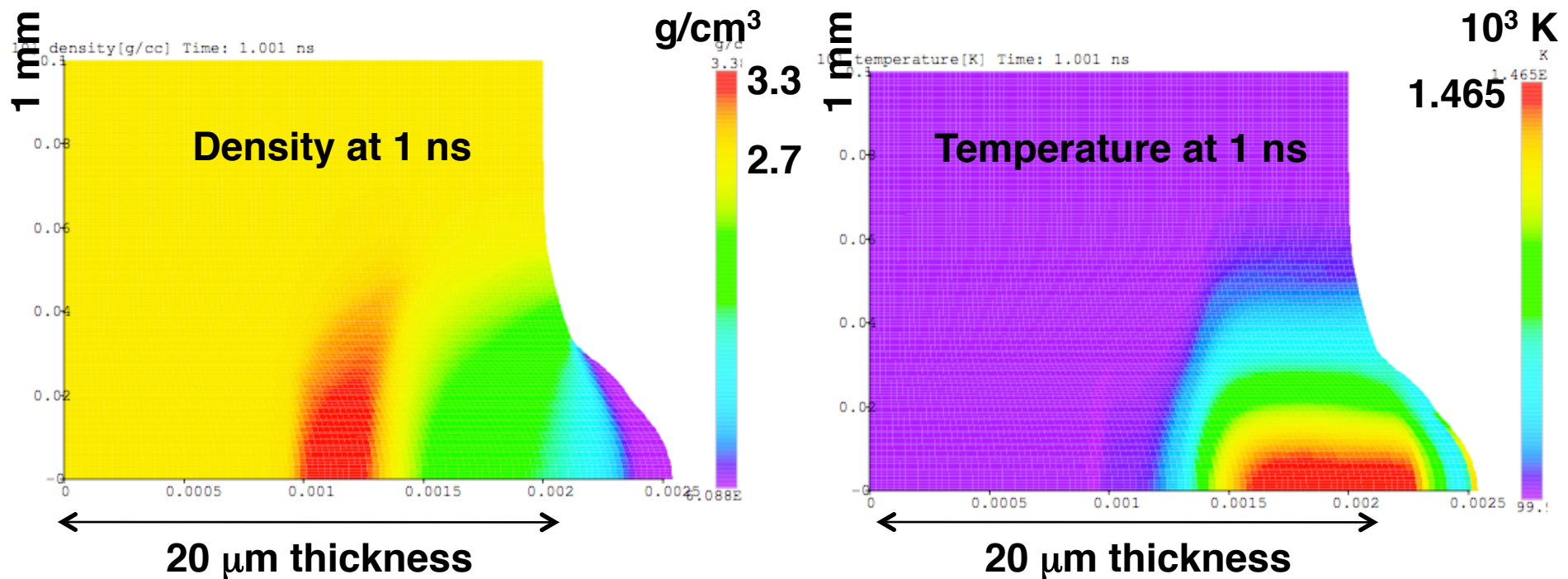
- Explore metal liquid/vapor boundaries at  $T \sim 0.4$  eV
- Evaporation rates/ bubble and droplet formation
- Test beam compression physics
- Test diagnostics

→  
**NDCX II**  
 $\sim 2$  MeV  
(initial config.)  
0.03  $\mu\text{C}$   
2012



- Bragg peak (uniform) heating
- $T \sim 1\text{-}2$  eV in planar metal targets (higher in cylindrical/spherical bubble implosions)
- $\text{Ion}^+/\text{Ion}^-$  plasmas; porous targets
- Critical point; complete liquid/vapor boundary; EOS
- Transport physics (e-cond. etc)
- HIF coupling and beam physics

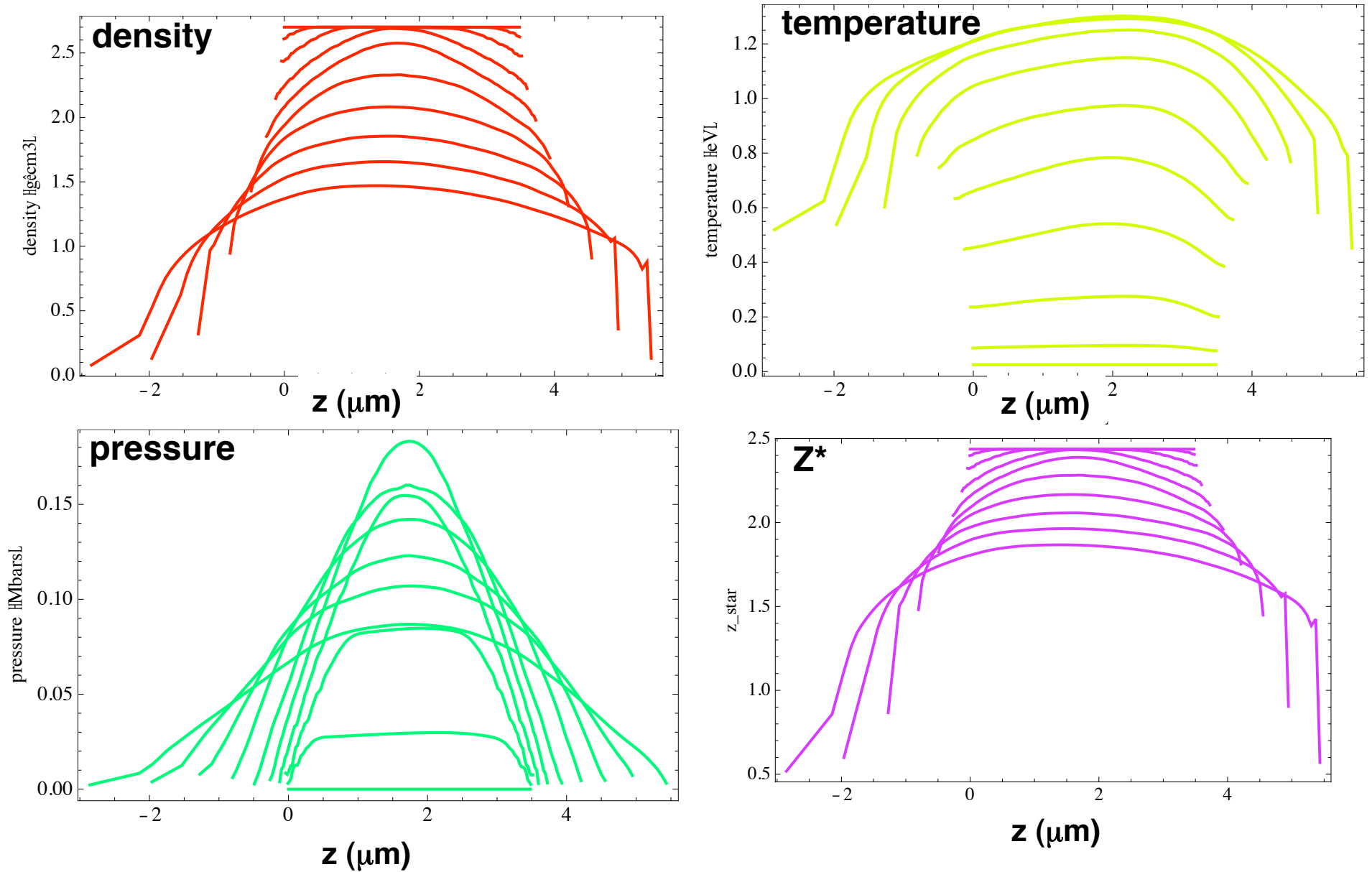
**A. Ng (U. B.C.), N. Tahir (GSI), R. Piriz (U. de Castilla) and the VNL have begun a collaboration to evaluate the use of beam generated shocks to study WDM on NDCX II.**



**Initial simulations by Tahir find peak temperatures of 1.2 eV in Al; 2.5 eV in W  
Peak pressures of 0.32 MBars in Al; 0.6 MBars in W  
Tampers and flyers will be evaluated.**



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## Results using simple theory are suggestive; need a more rigorous theory for precision WDM measurements

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To make this "streaked optical pyrometry" a more quantitative tool, we need improved theory of emission: Can we unfold the unknown emissivity  $e(\lambda, \theta)$  for WDM target material?

For simple cases (homogeneous target material) "emissivity = absorptivity" (Kirchoff's law). After hydrodynamic expansion, something better is needed.

In the VNL, we have two strategies for this question:

1. Develop polarization pyrometry (measure 2 polarizations at non-normal angles) to increase data collected in each experiment
2. First-principles code for emission of visible light from overdense plasma surface having strong density gradient; equations for arbitrary dielectric function  $\epsilon(\omega)$ .

# Theory of visible light emission from overdense plasma with strong surface gradients is near completion

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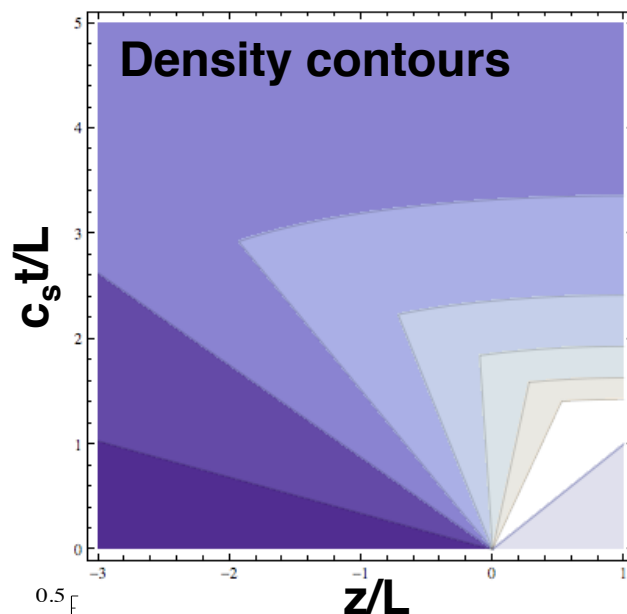
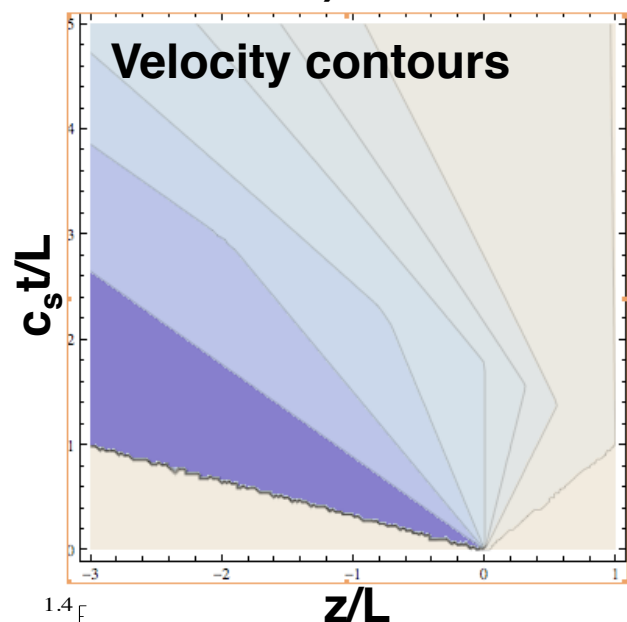
## Key issues:

1. Strong angle dependent polarization of emitted light. Tested in experiments at LBNL, Tokyo (UEC) and NIFS (Toki) using electrically -heated, laser heated, and e-beam heated metals
2. Detailed balance and connection to laser absorption, ellipsometry theory. These connections are a check of the emission theory.
3. How rapidly does the polarization effect disappear with:  
Temperature gradients in the near-surface region?  
Surface roughness or non-uniform expansion?

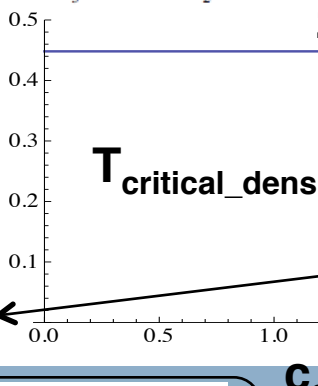
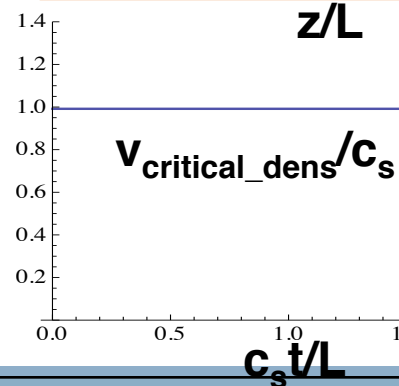
Preliminary results have been presented by R. More at the International Workshop on WDM, (Hakone, Japan, March 2009) and the 19<sup>th</sup> Toki Conference on Advanced Physics in Plasmas and Fusion (Toki, Japan, December 2009)

## We may also calculate the velocity at the critical density for a particular photon frequency as a function of time

Again looking at the idealized case (instantaneous heating, ideal gas, constant  $Z^*$ ):



The velocity contours first align with, then cross the density and temperature contours, so the velocity measured at the critical density would first be constant then plummet



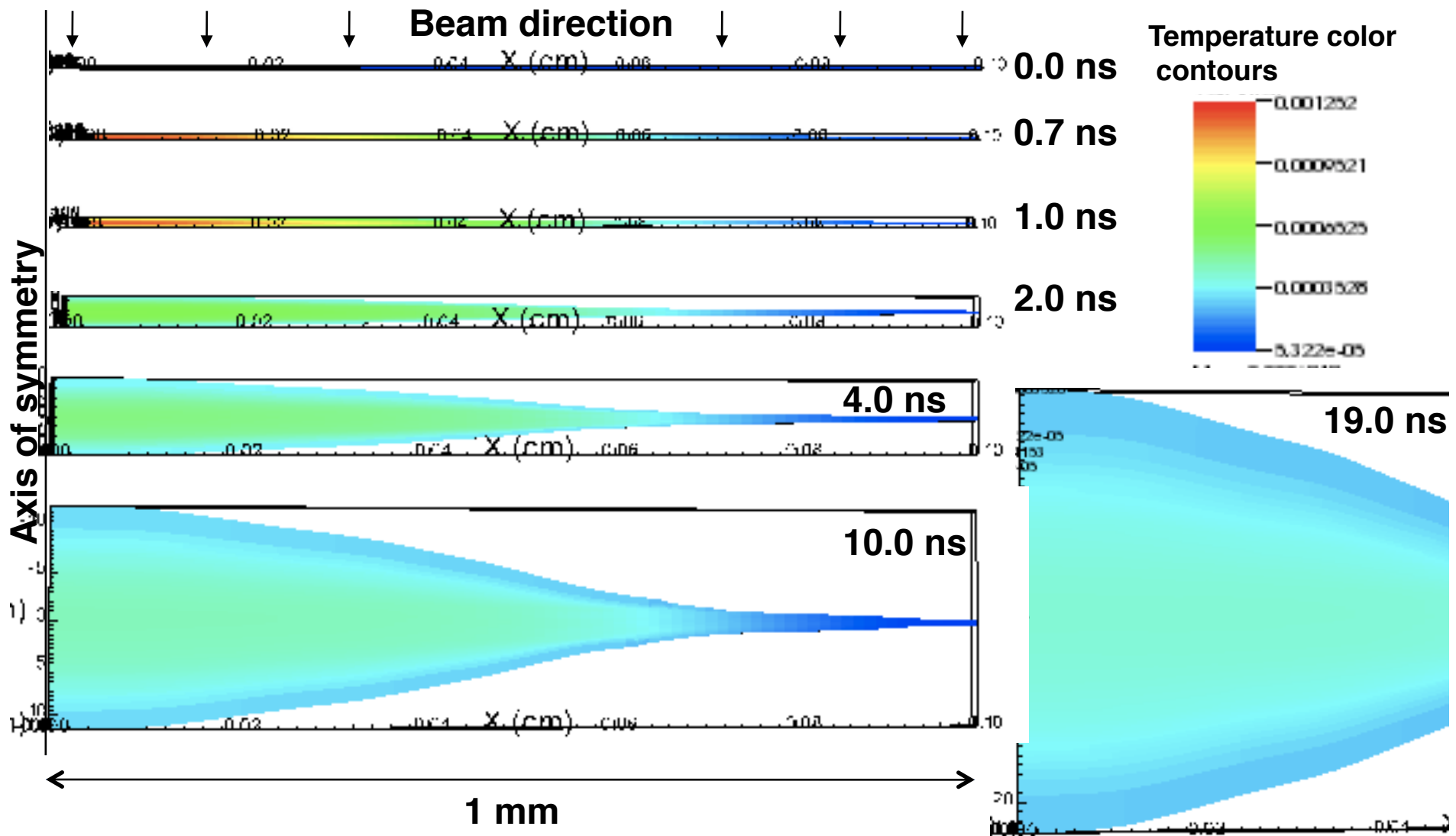
Time at which density contour reaches  $z=1$  (central) axis

# **NDCX II will serve as a platform for warm dense matter experiments and as a test bed for heavy ion fusion**

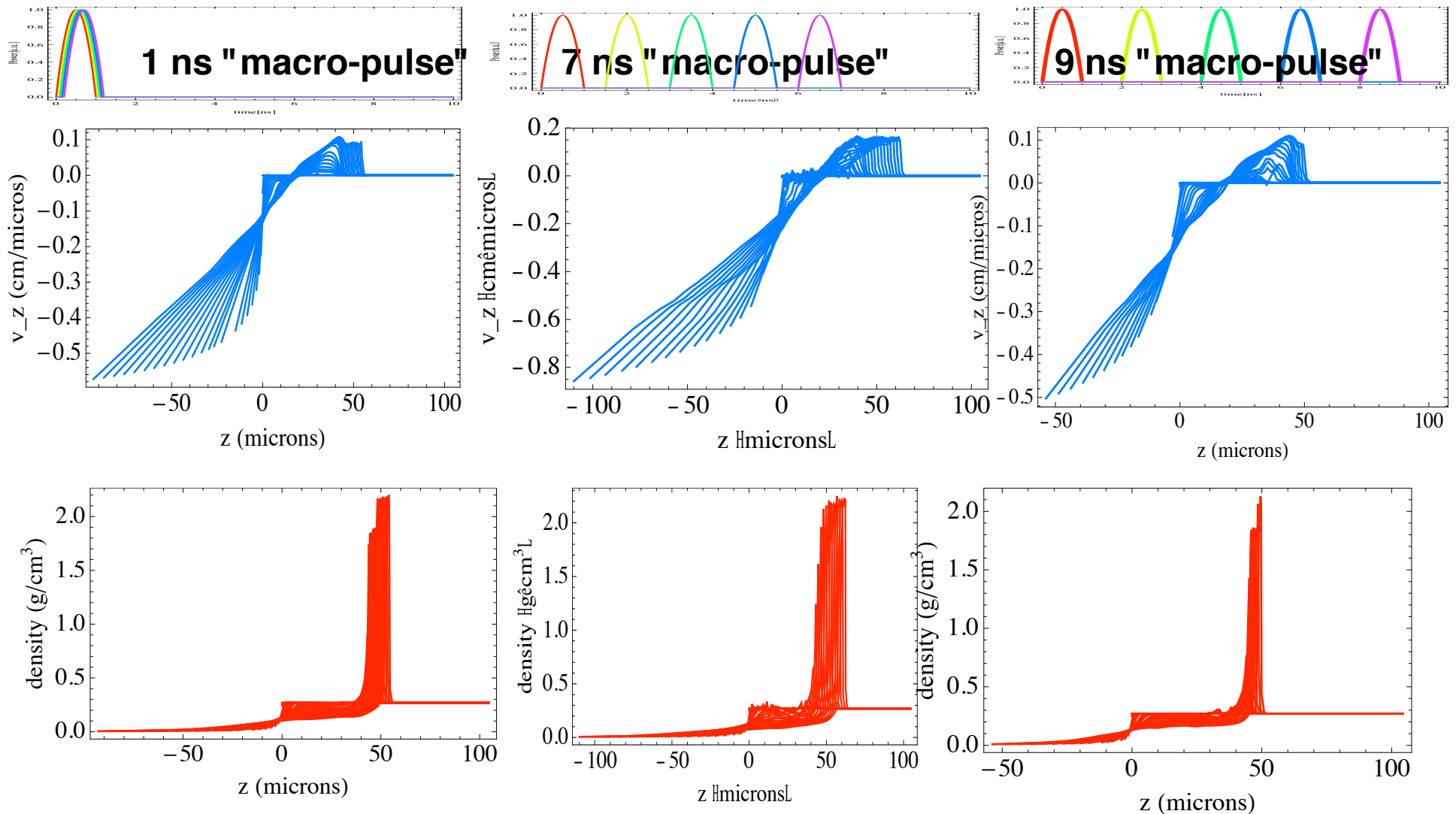
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- 1. Experimental concepts for Warm Dense Matter (WDM)**
  - a. planar solid targets**
  - b. metallic foams**
  - c. cylindrical and spherical "bubbles"**
- 2. Connecting simulations of WDM targets to diagnostics**
  - a. simulating brightness temperature at critical density point**
  - b. simulating velocity at critical density point**
- 3. Simulations of experiments relevant to Heavy Ion Fusion (HIF)**
  - a. coupling physics: two-pulse/ ramped pulse experiments**

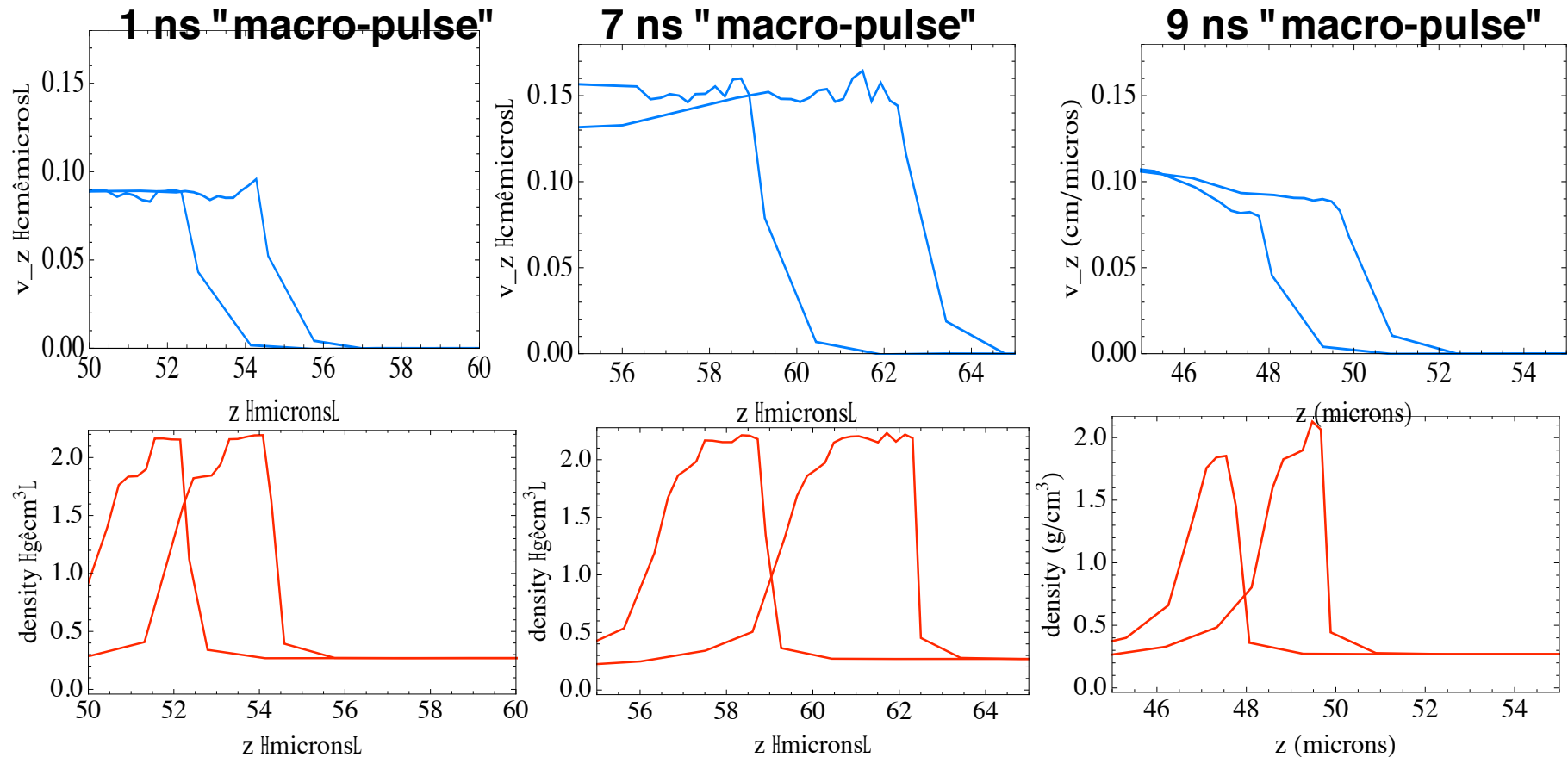
# 2D HYDRA simulations show the long term expansion of the foil and evolution with radius



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# Shock positions at 18 and 20 ns for the 3 cases

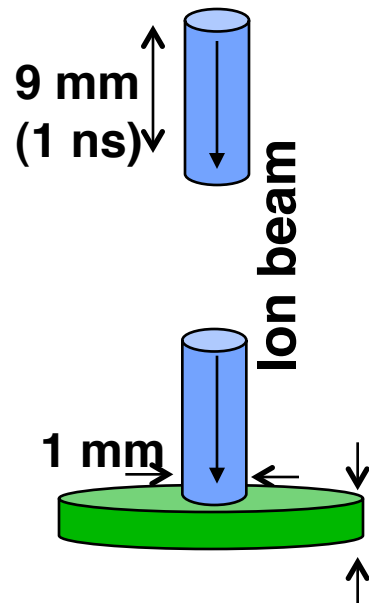


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# Simulations using DSH (using van der waals eos) confirm benefits of double pulsing



Ion:  $\text{Li}^+$  or  $\text{Li}^{++}$

Target: **Solid Ar**

Intensity: 30 J/cm<sup>2</sup>  
(each pulse)

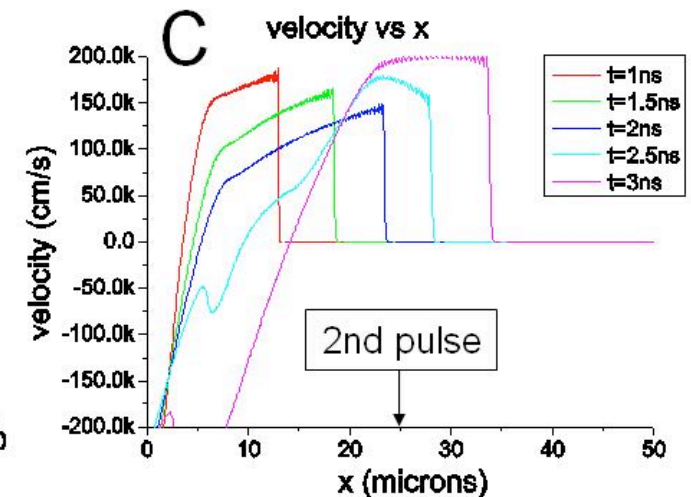
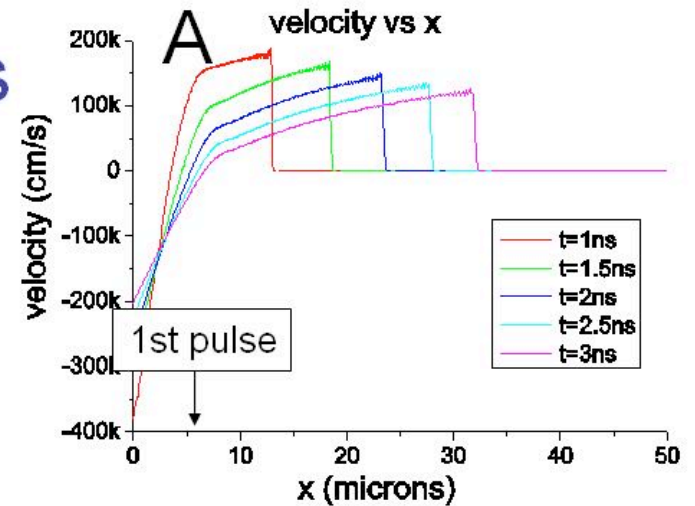
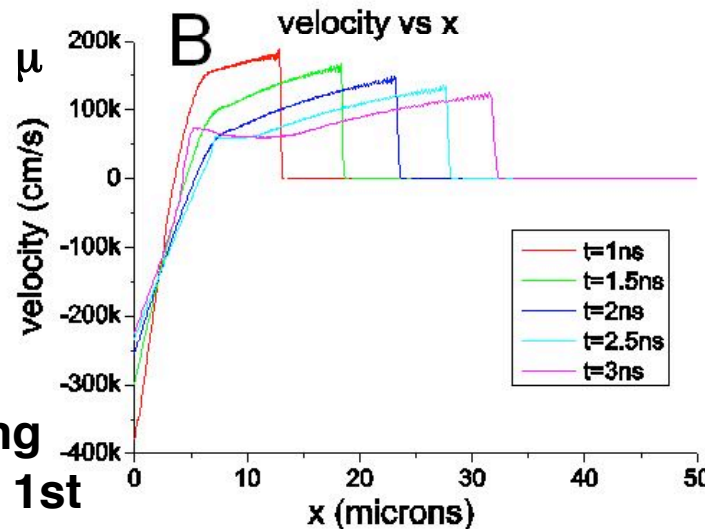
Each pulse: 1 ns long

2nd pulse, 1ns after 1st

Simulations by Siu Fai Ng

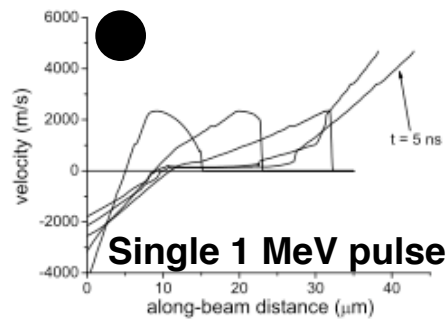
## Simulation Results

Case	$E_1$	$E_2$
A	1 MeV	0 MeV
B	1 MeV	1 MeV
C	1 MeV	6 MeV

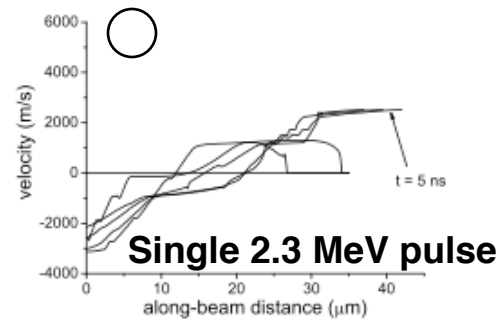




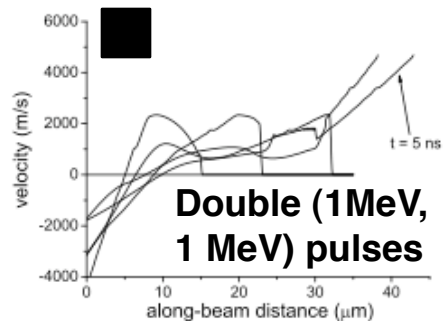
# Double or ramped pulse experiments could investigate variable range energy deposition



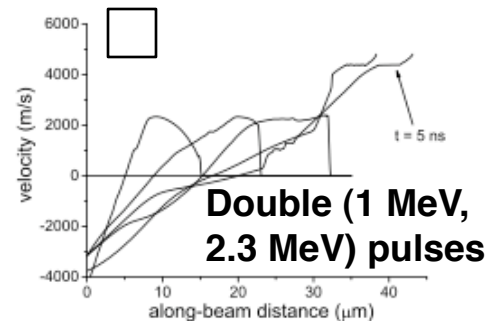
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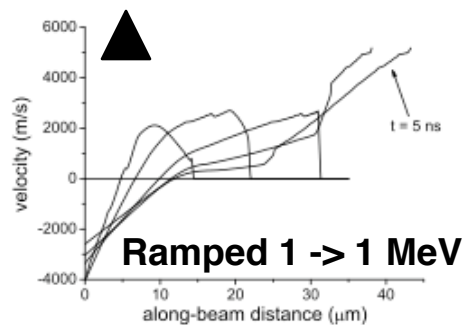
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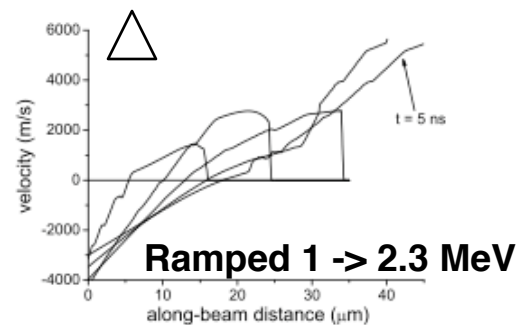
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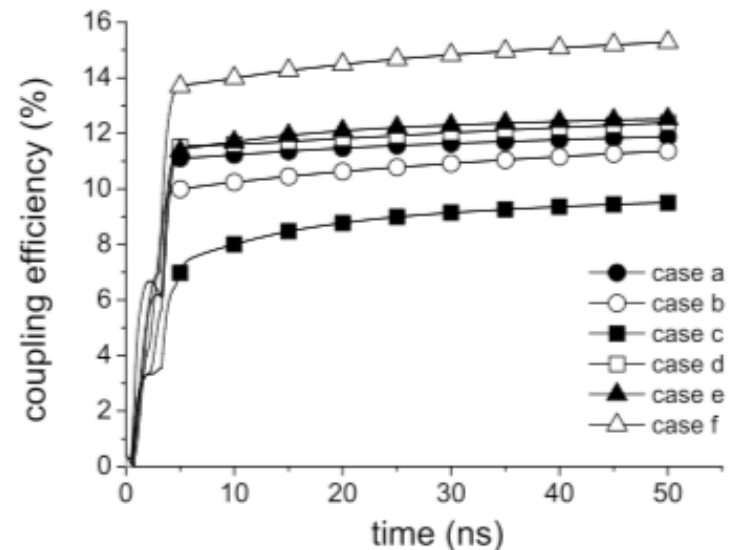


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## DISH simulations by S-F Ng

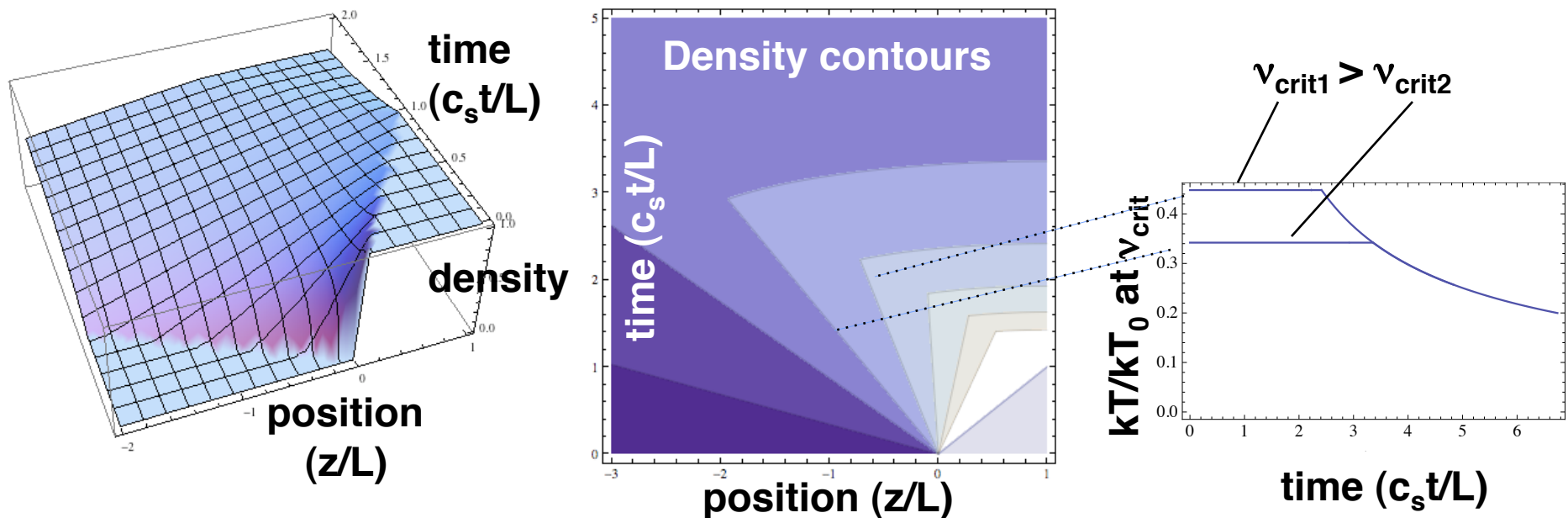


Energy swing between 1 MeV to 2.3 MeV shows detectable benefit of time dependent range

# Intensity measurements at multiple frequencies can discriminate different EOS' used for hydro calculations

Critical frequency  $\nu_{\text{crit}}$  defines "over dense" point where wave propagation becomes evanescent:  $h\nu_{\text{crit}} = h\omega_p / 2\pi = 28 \text{ eV} \sqrt{\rho(\text{g/cm}^3) Z^* / A_{\text{target}}}$

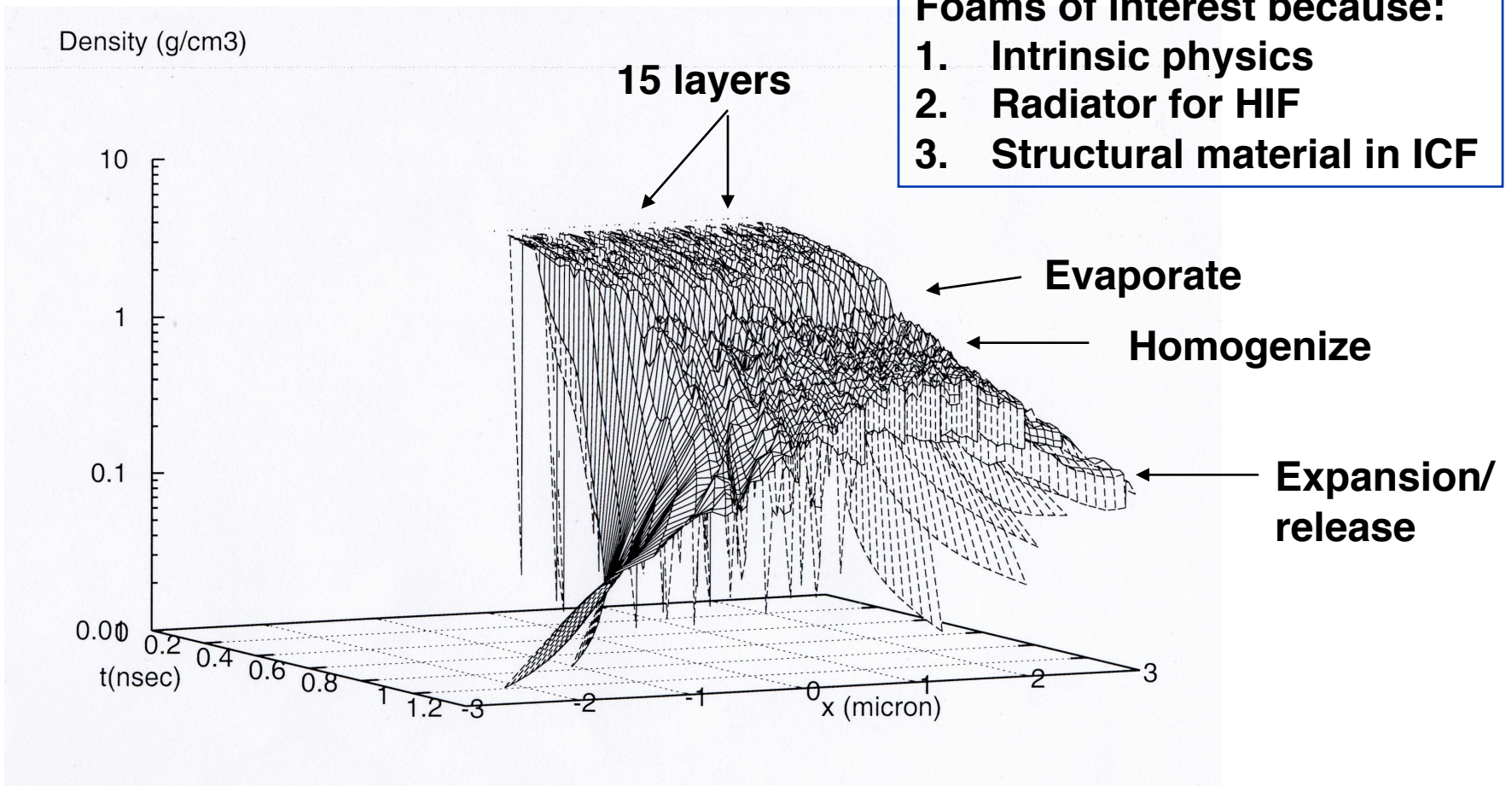
**Consider idealized case:** Energy instantaneously deposited in slab  $2L$  thick; ideal gas;  $Z^* = \text{constant}$



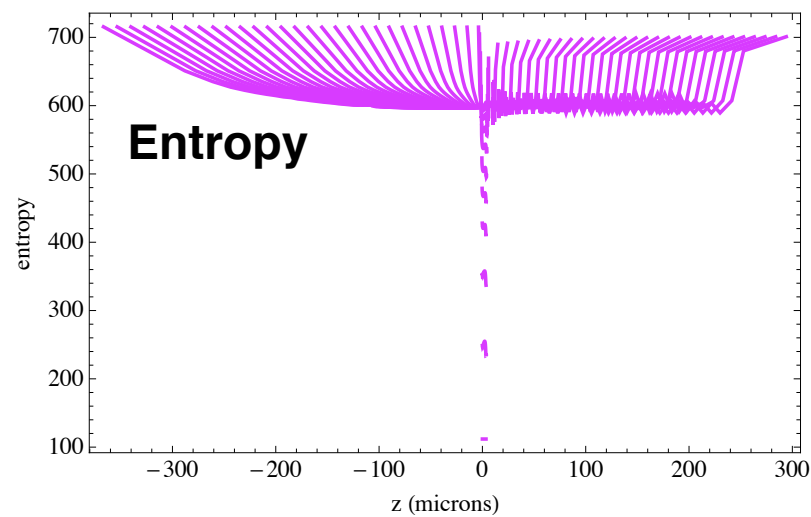
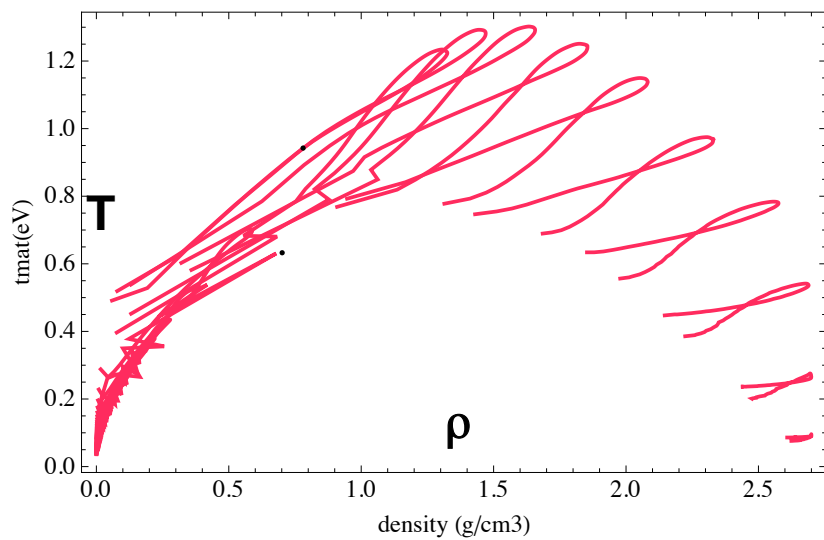
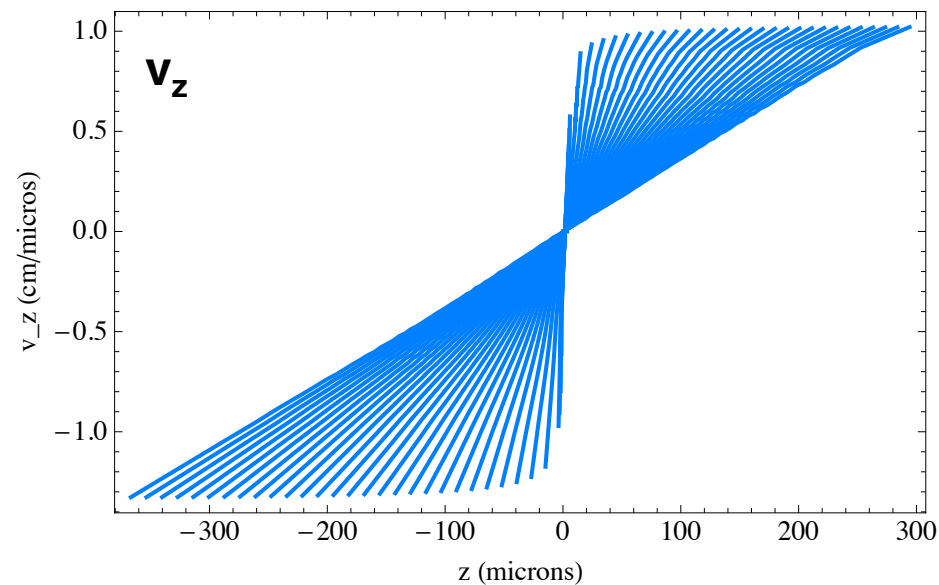
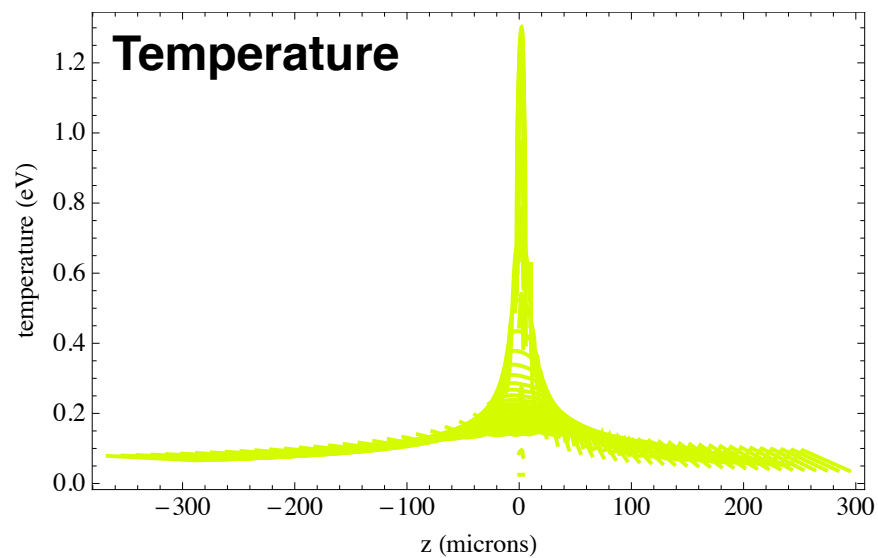
For adiabatic evolution lines of constant density coincide with lines of constant temperature (since  $T \sim \rho^{\gamma-1}$ ). **So higher frequencies will have shorter flat-top pulse durations and sample higher temperatures.**

## Foams have been modeled as layers of solid separated by layers of void

Codes used on foam modeling include: DPC (Saha based EOS), HYDRA (using QEOS), and DISH (using van der Waals EOS)

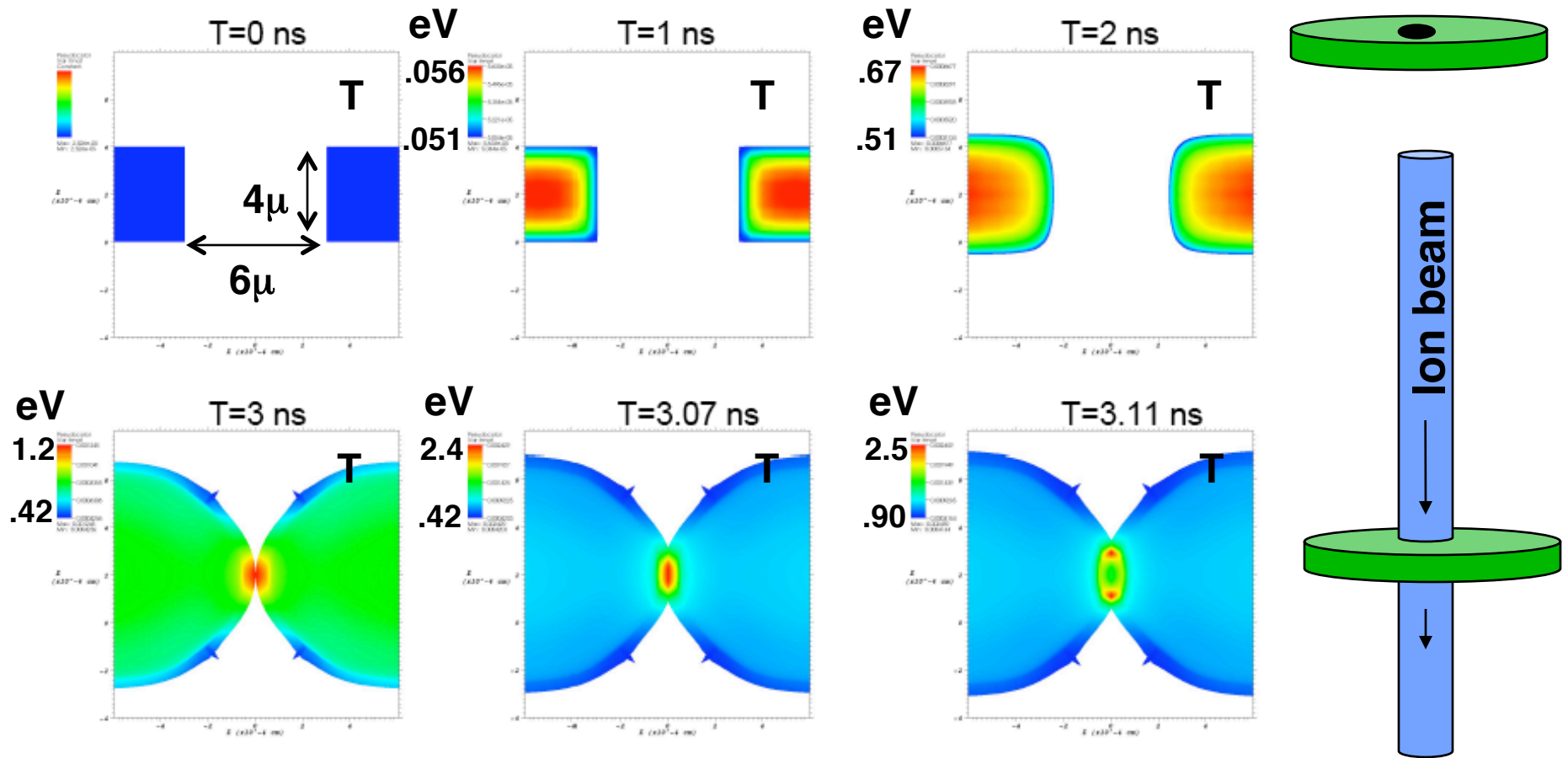


## Target evolution was tracked for 30 ns





# A cylindrical hole can create regions of temperature and pressure larger than in a simple foil



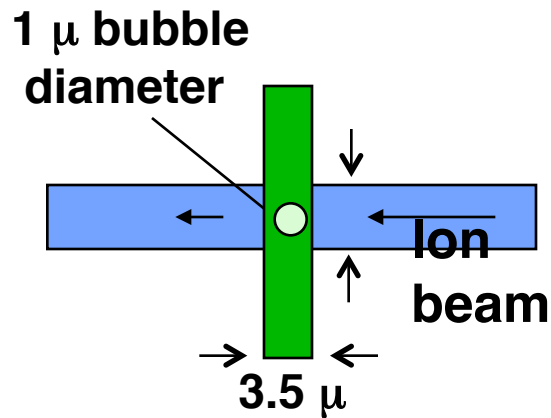
HYDRA simulations by E. Henestroza (using LEOS).

Solid Tin target. 2.8 MeV Li<sup>+</sup>, 10 J/cm<sup>2</sup> assumed.

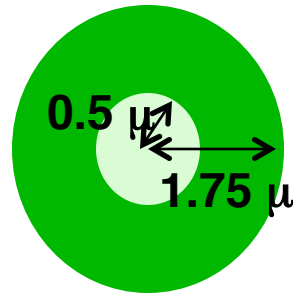
**$T_{\max} = 2.6 \text{ eV}$ ;  $P_{\max} = 1.3 \text{ Mbar}$**   $\rho_{\max} = 11 \text{ g/cm}^3$  ( $\rho_{\text{init}} = 7 \text{ g/cm}^3$ );  $v_{\text{imp}} = 3.5 \text{ km/s}$

Advantage: relatively easy to manufacture and diagnose

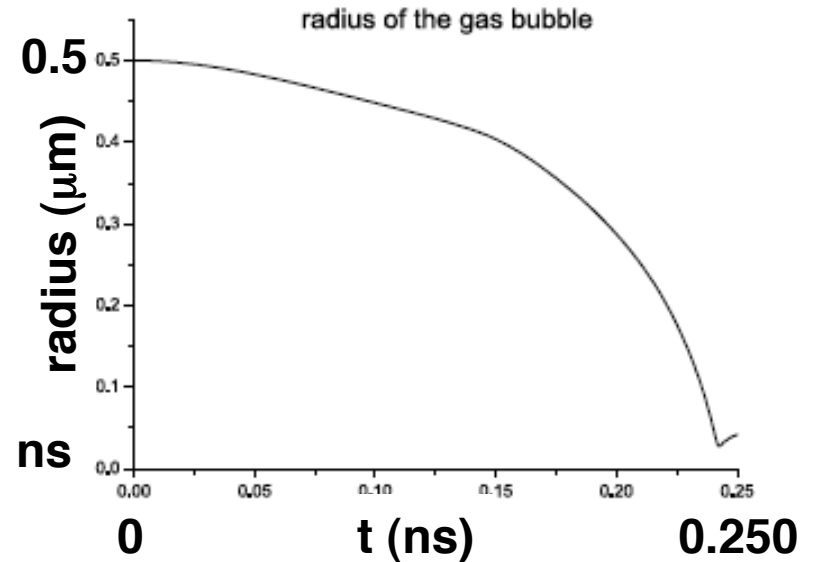
If instead of a cylindrical hole, a spherical void is placed in the foil, higher pressures are possible



Simulation:

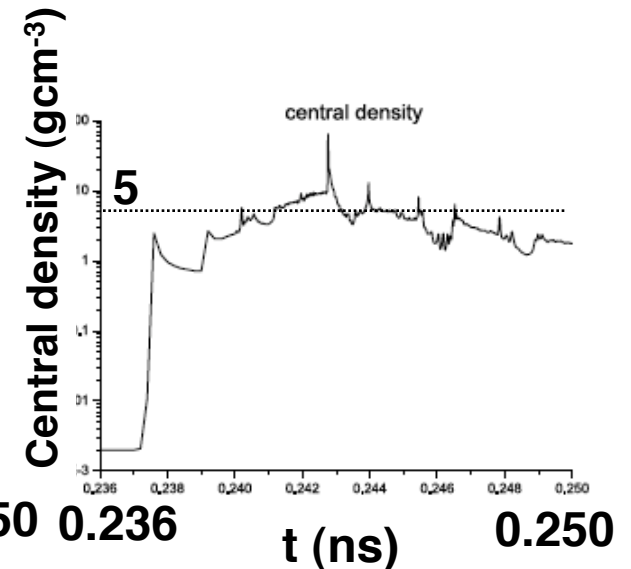
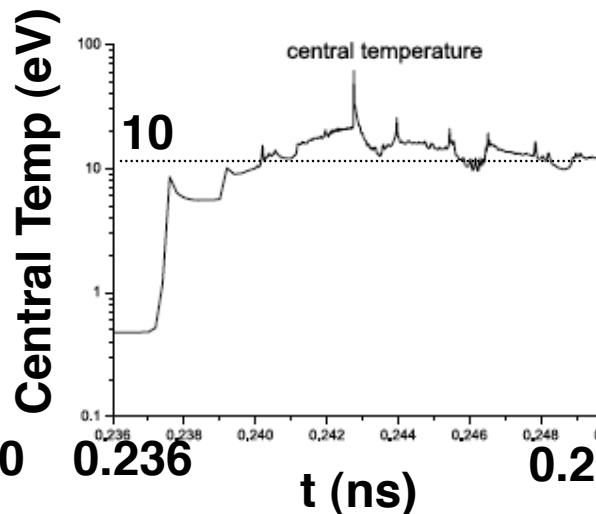
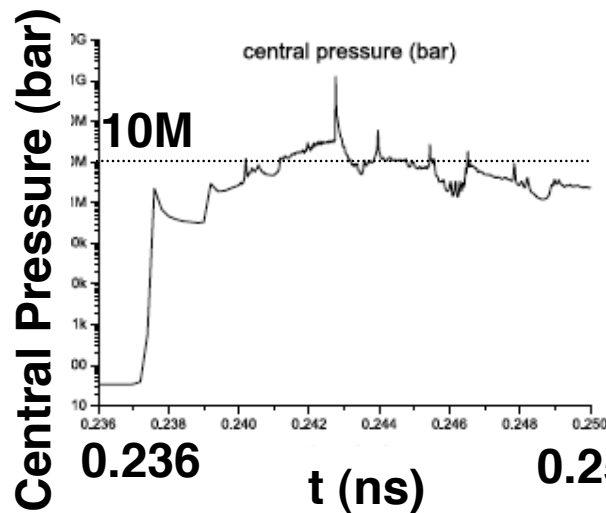


Deposition:  
25 kJ/g/ns for 1 ns

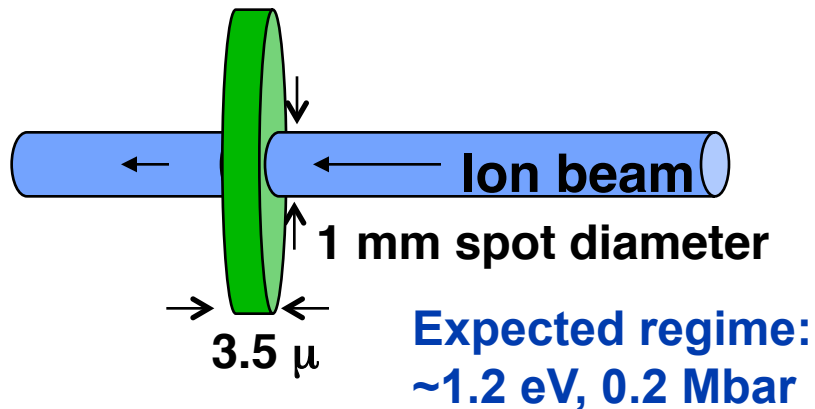


Simulations by Siu-Fai Ng  
(using DISHR, QEOS)

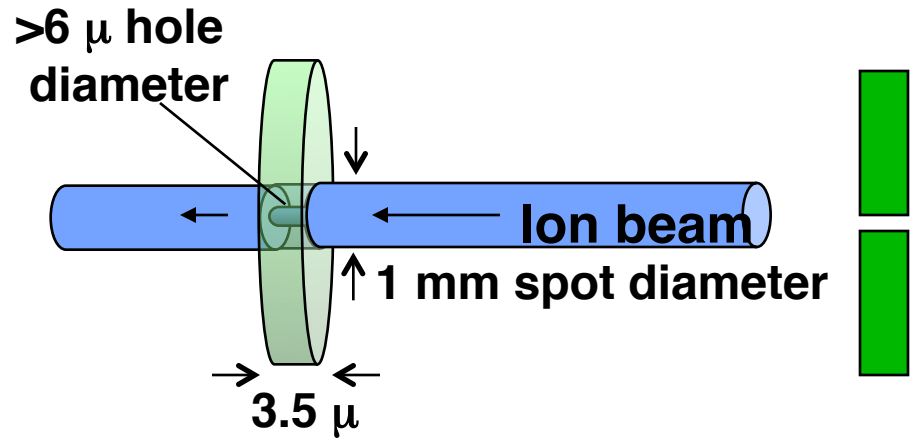
$P_{\text{max}} > 10 \text{ Mbar}$ ,  $T_{\text{max}} > 10 \text{ eV}$ ,  $\rho_{\text{max}} > 5 \text{ g/cm}^3$



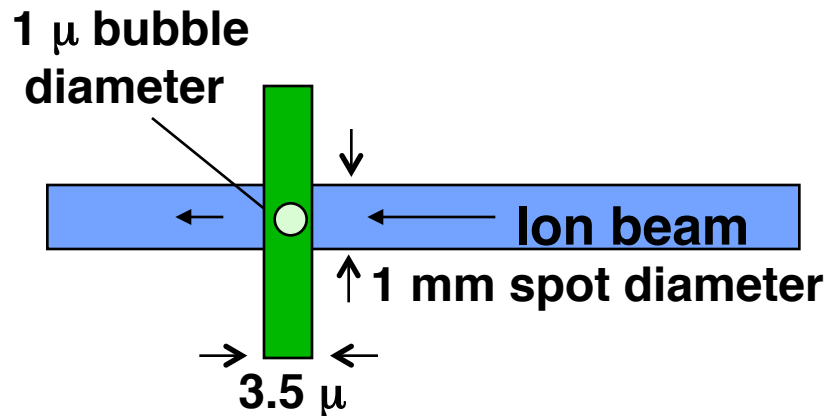
# Several target options have been considered for WDM studies on NDCX II



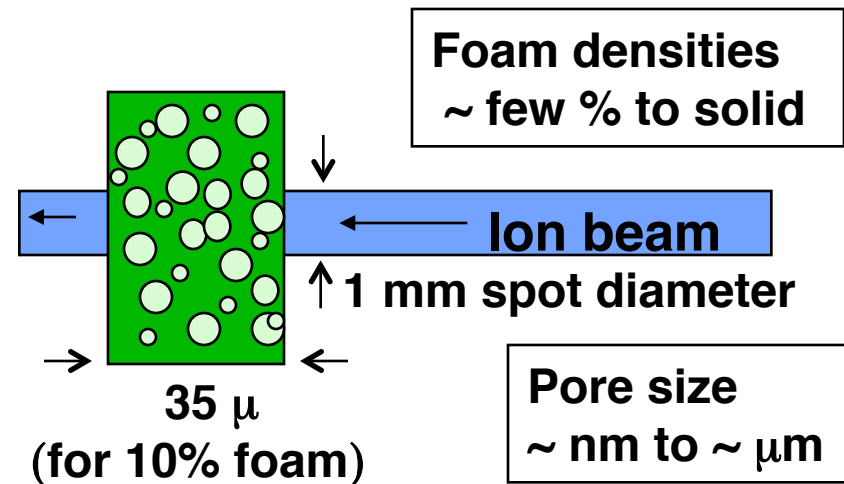
**Solid planar targets**



**Cylindrical "bubble" targets**

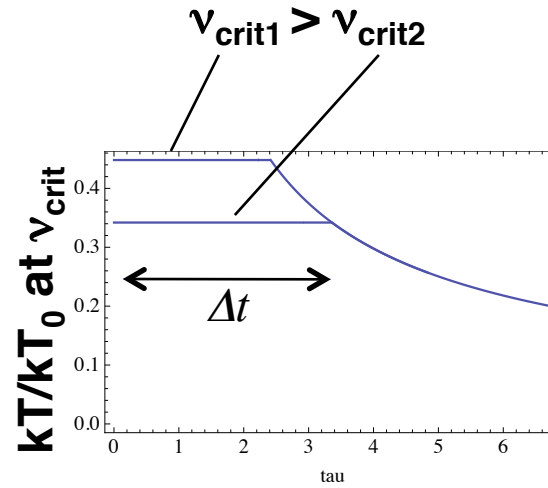


**Spherical bubble targets**



**Foam planar targets**

# Observed pulse width $\Delta t$ can be significantly larger than hydrodynamic time at lower observation frequencies



$$\frac{\rho_{center}}{\rho_0} = \frac{3}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\tau^{1/2}} + \frac{1}{3\tau} - \frac{1}{3\tau^{3/2}} \right) / (3\tau - 4\tau^{1/2} + 1) \quad \text{for } \tau > 1$$

$$\frac{\rho_{center}}{\rho_0} \cong \frac{1}{2\tau} \quad \text{for } \tau \gg 1$$

$$\nu_{crit} \sim (\rho Z^*)^{1/2} \quad \rightarrow \quad \Delta t \sim (L/c_s) \nu_{crit0}^2 Z^{*2} / (2 \nu_{crit}^2 Z_0^{*2}),$$

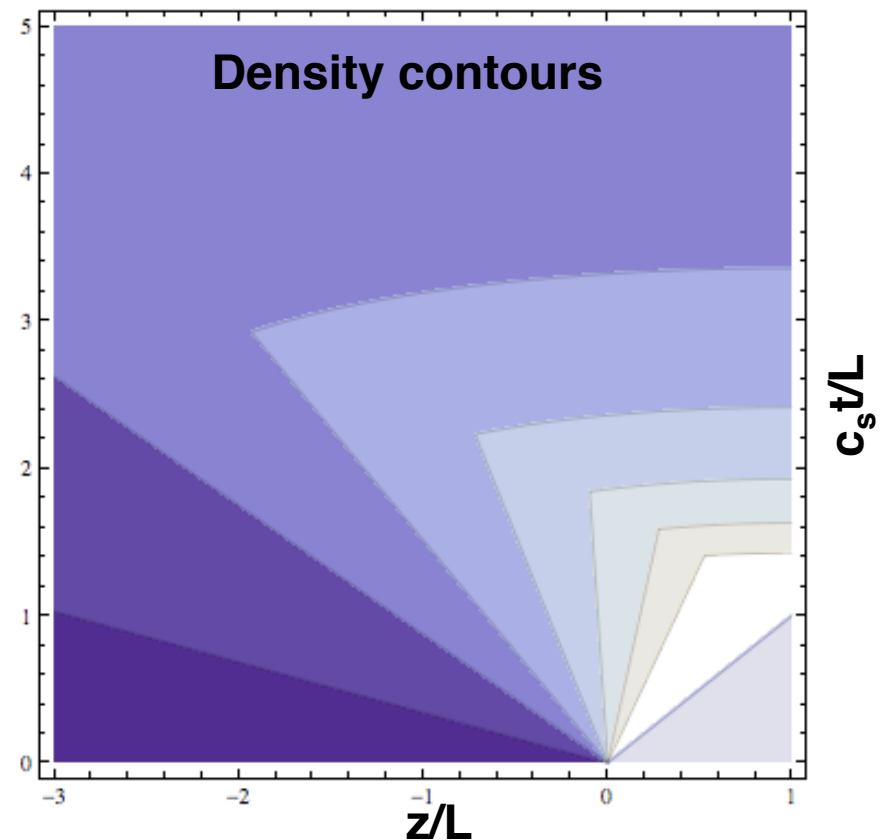
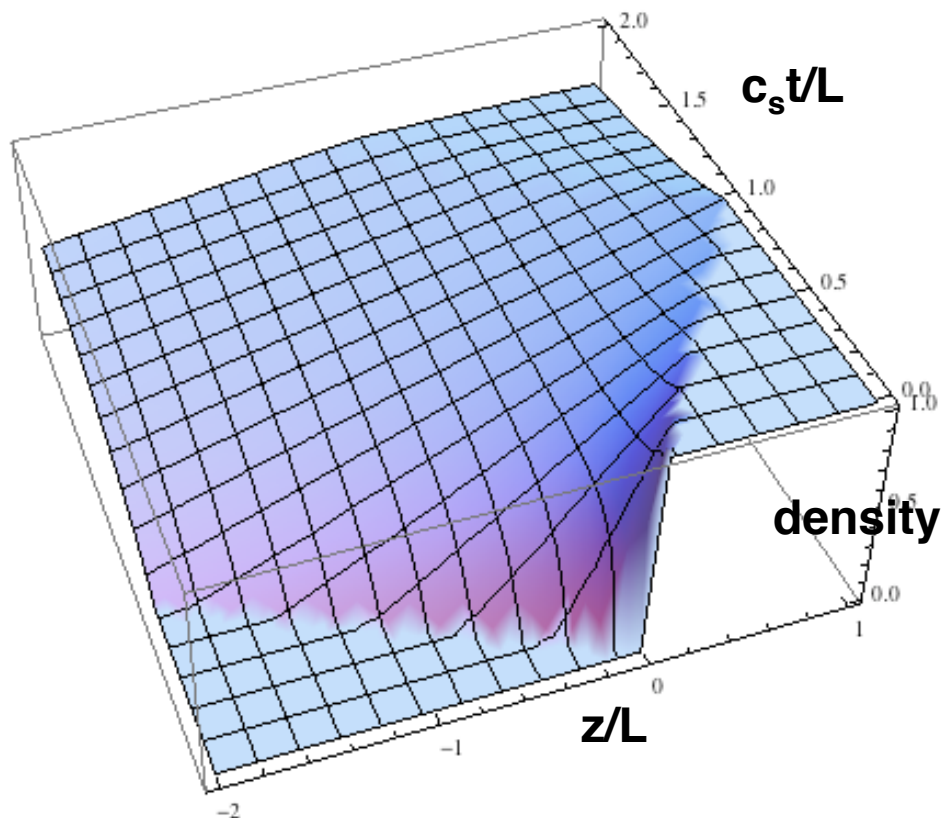
$$T/T_0 = (\rho/\rho_0)^{2/3} = (\nu_{crit} Z_0^* / [\nu_{crit0} Z^*])^{4/3}$$



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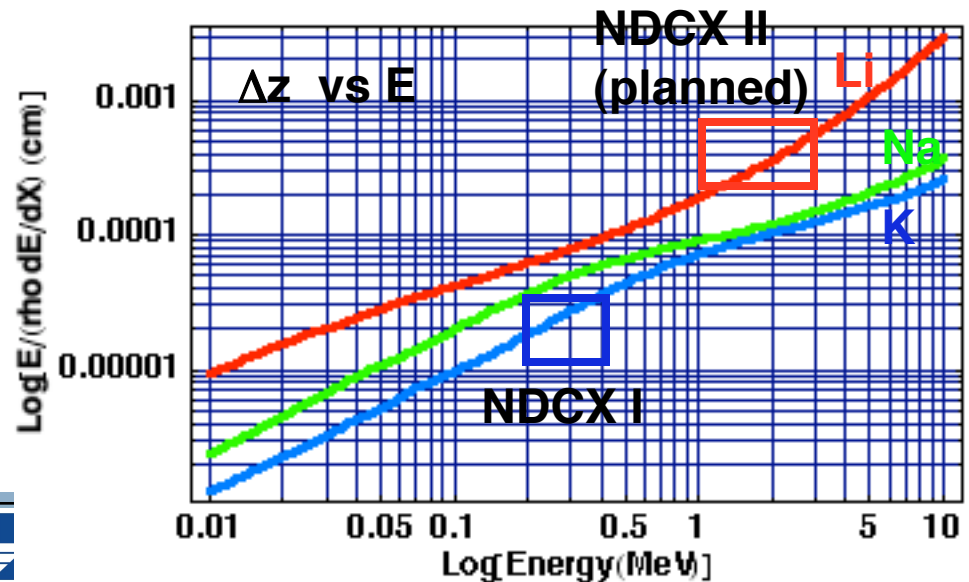
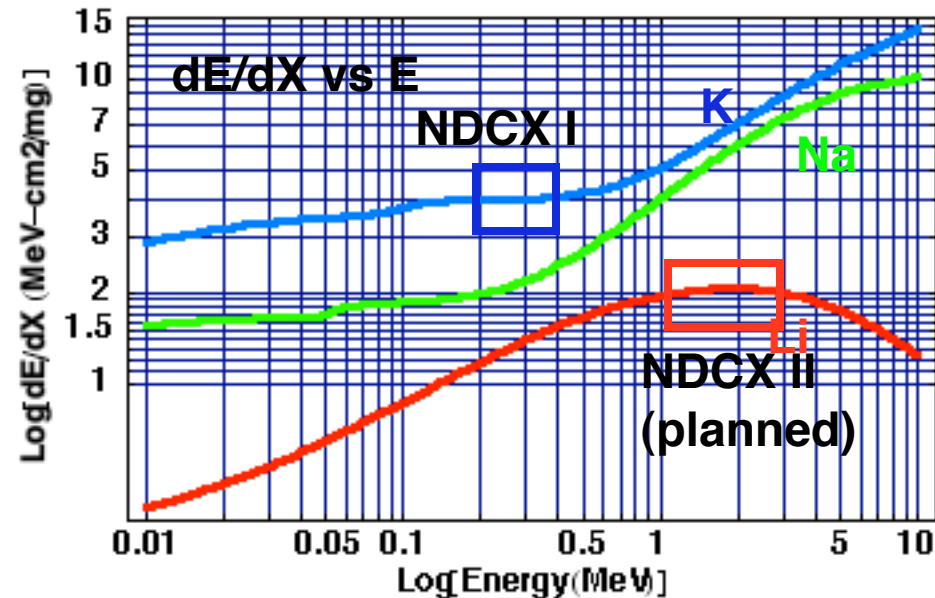
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# Temperature uniformity is achieved by choosing ion deposition region where $d(dE/dX)/dE \approx 0$

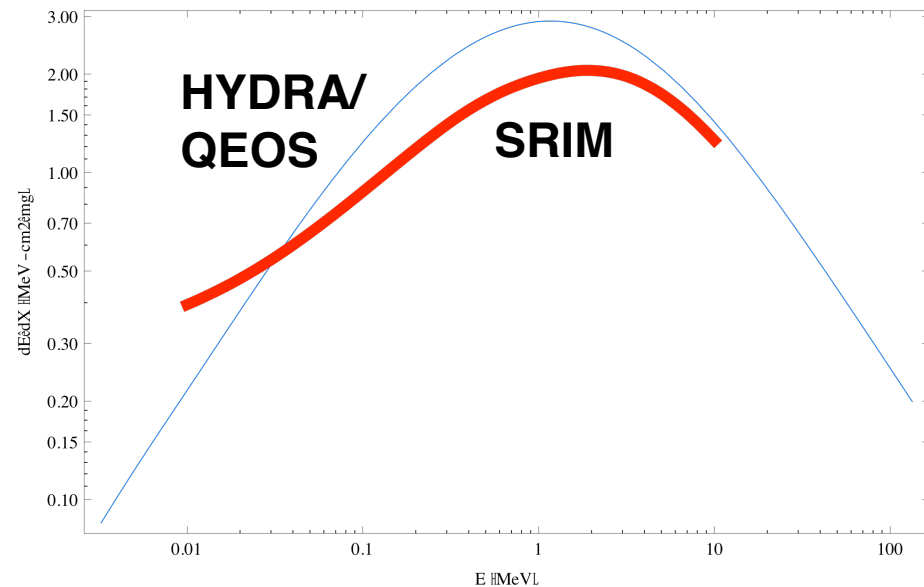
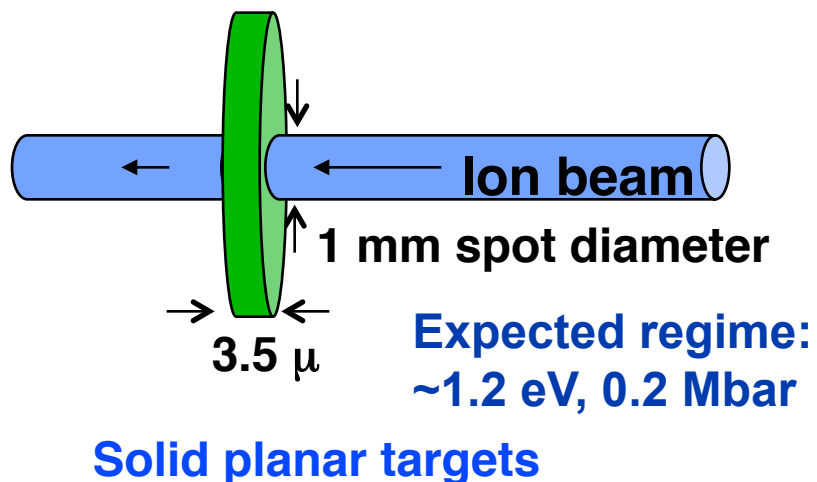
SRIM code results gives  $dE/dX$  for three ions of interest (**K**, **Na**, and **Li**).

Li ions at  $\sim 1.8$  MeV are at Bragg peak (although K ions at 200 - 400 keV are near inflection point)

Also range of Li ions at  $\sim 1.8$  MeV is  $\sim 3 \mu$  (a factor of 10 times longer than 400 keV K ions) so hydro time is factor of 10 longer



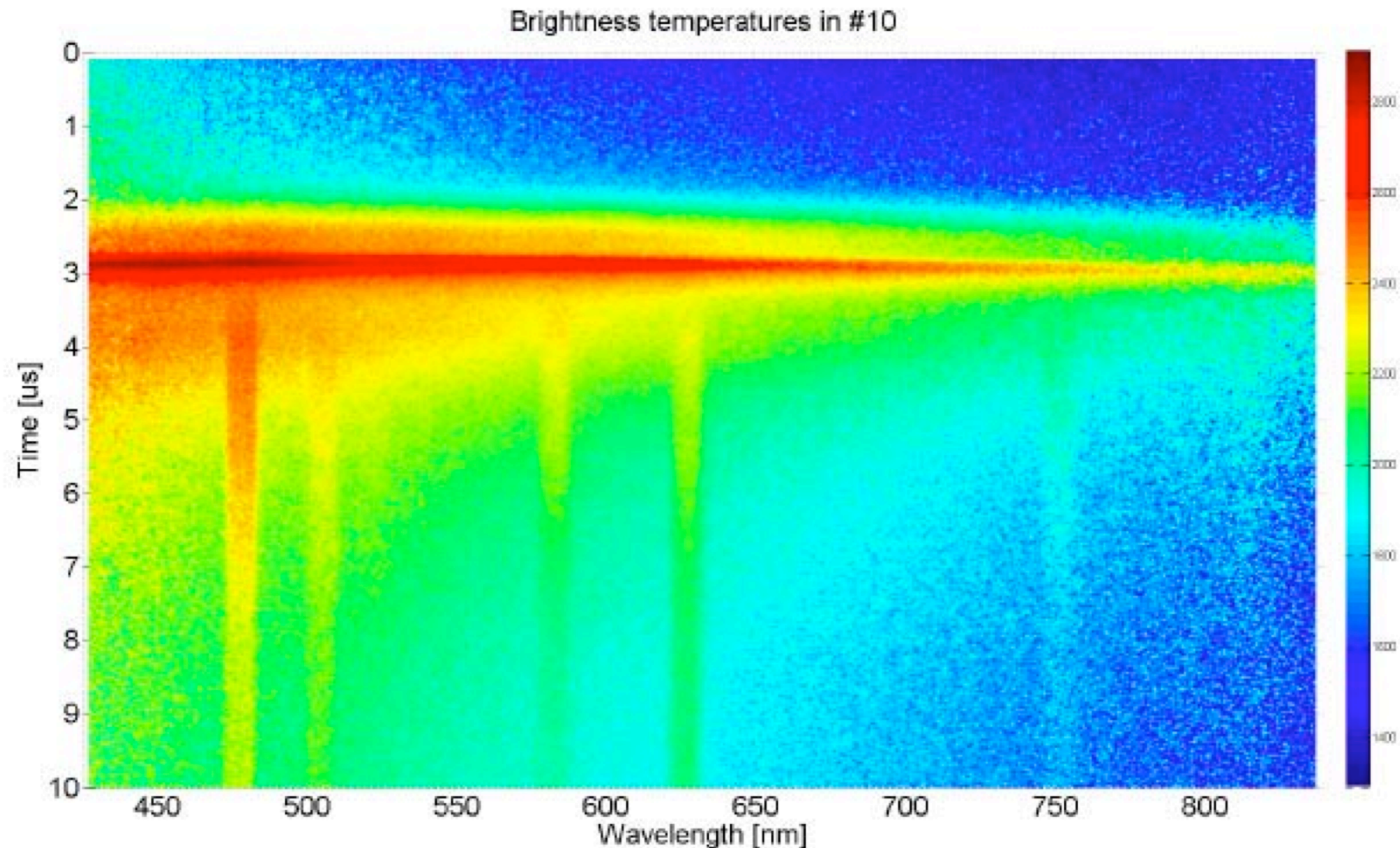
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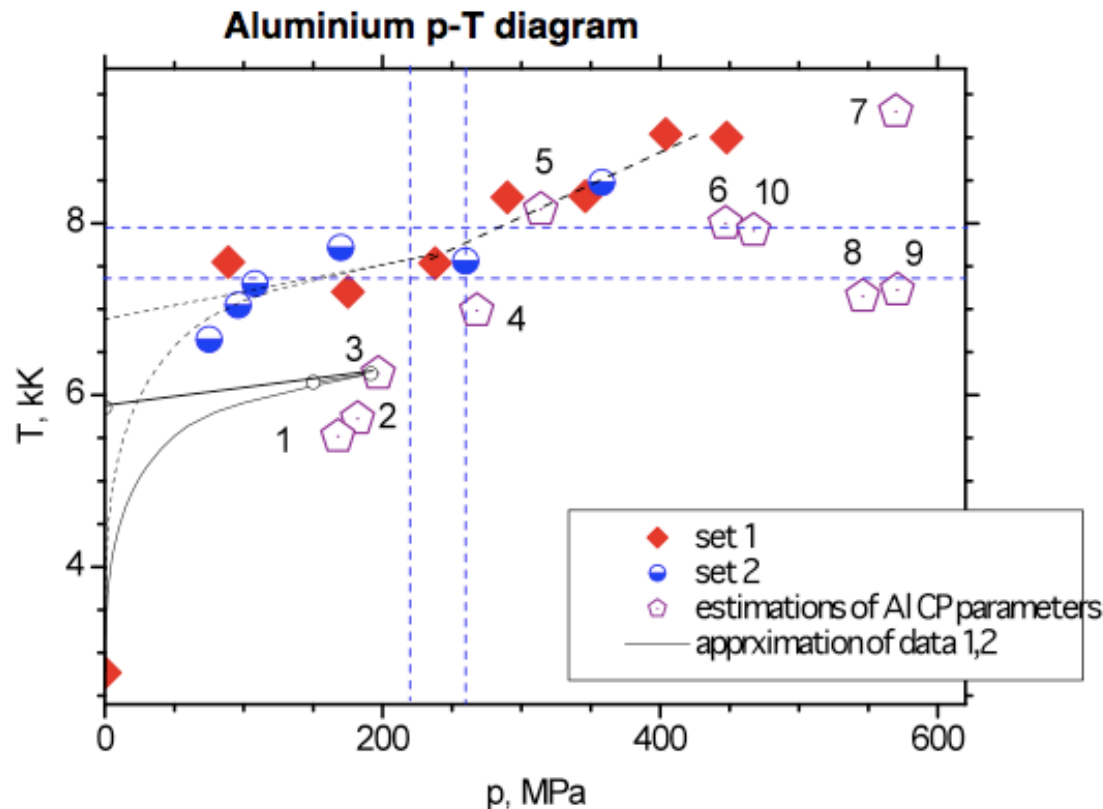
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# Typical data in foil targets shows heating from the prepulse and compressed pulse on NDCX I



**Streak-spectrometer data in Au target showing transition from continuum emission to emission lines from heated gold**

# Theories and experiments place critical point between 5500 K and 11000 K (0.47 eV and 0.945 eV)



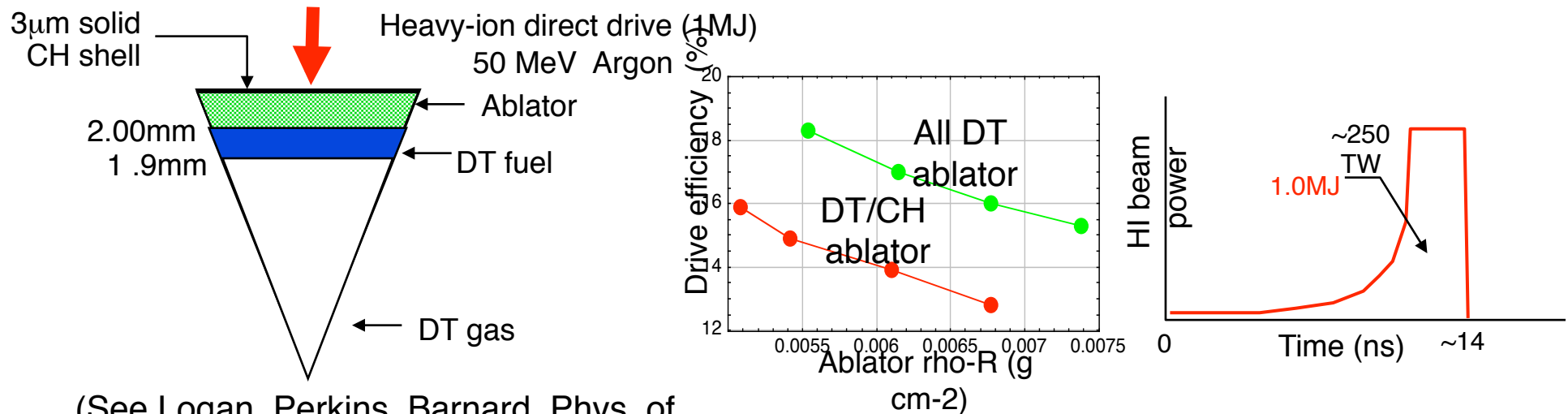
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			10 Gordeev et.al 2008	467	7917
This work				240 ± 20	7650 ± 300



# Heavy-ion direct drive LASNEX runs by John Perkins found gains $\geq 50$ at 1MJ with high coupling efficiency (15%).

**Coupling efficiency  $\equiv$  fuel shell kinetic energy/ion beam energy**



(See Logan, Perkins, Barnard, Phys. of Plasmas, **15**, 07271, 2008).

**Higher efficiencies and gains may be possible by using energy ramp**

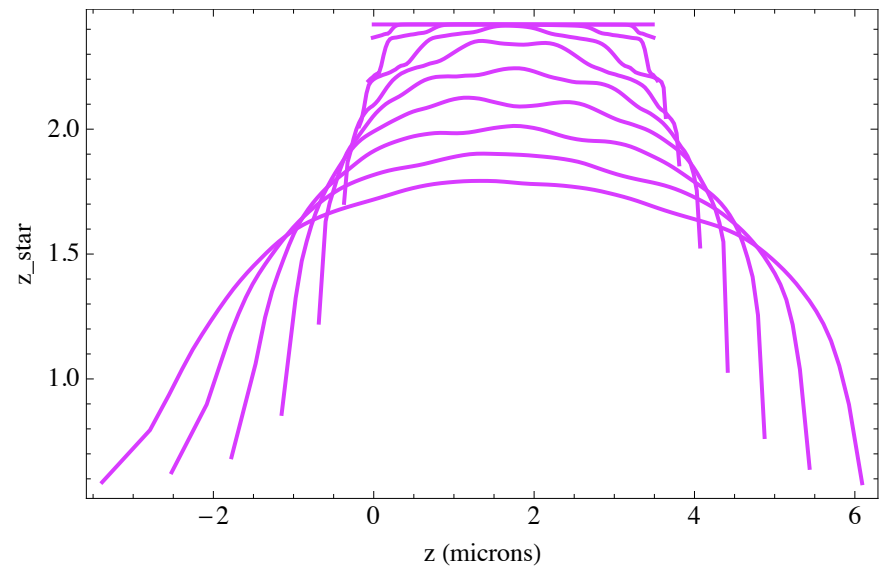
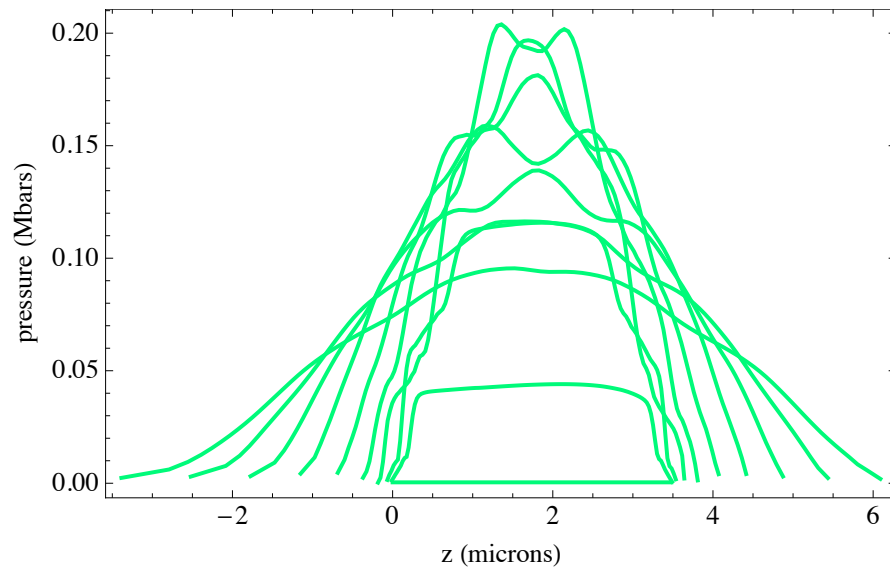
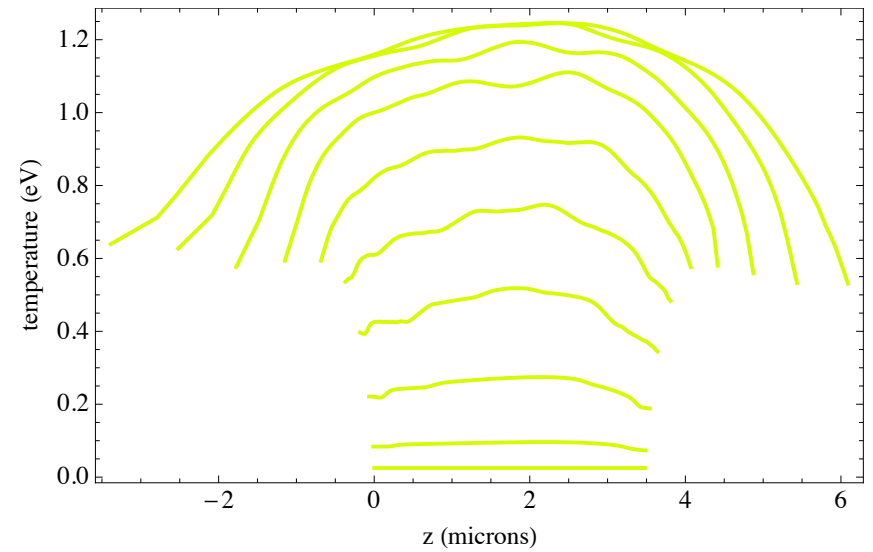
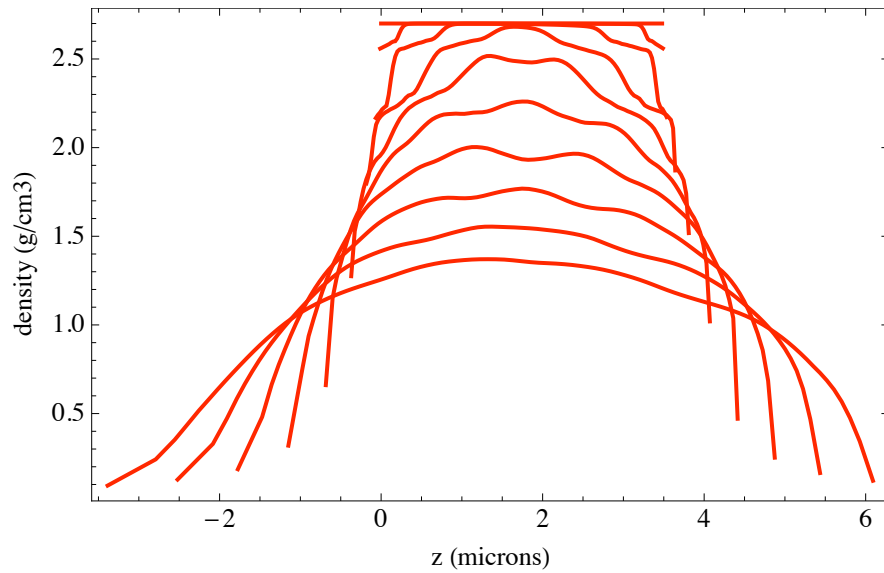
**Coupling efficiency**

**Target gain  
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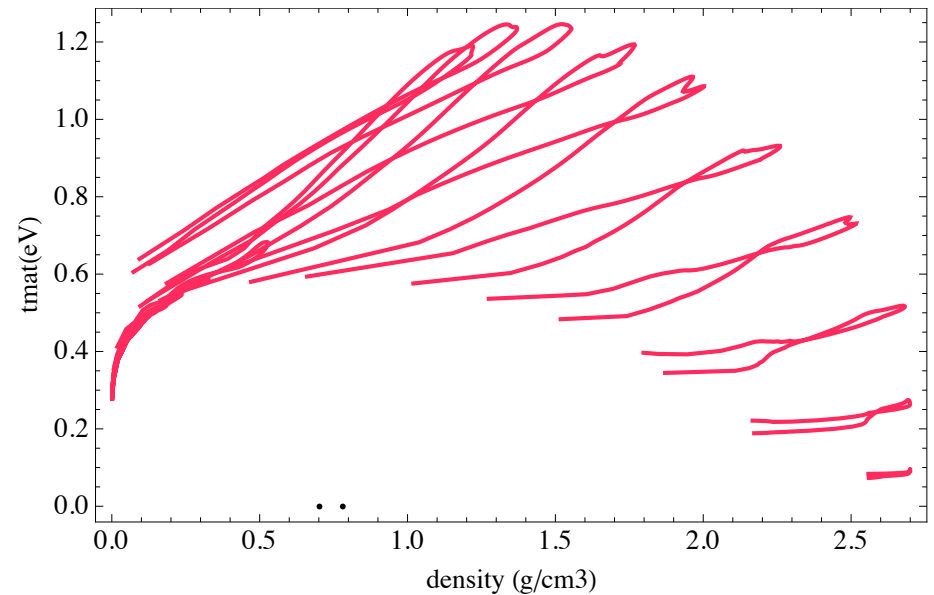
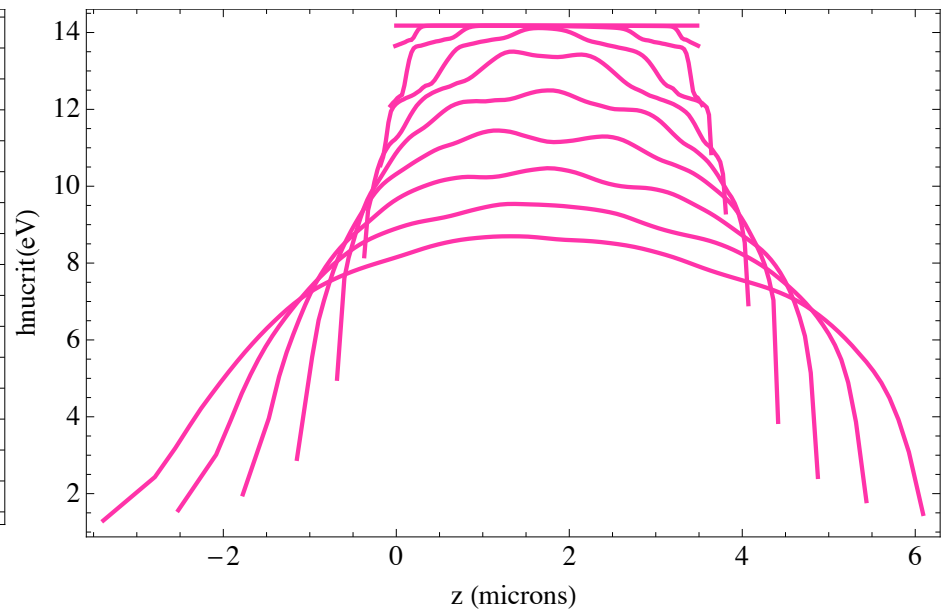
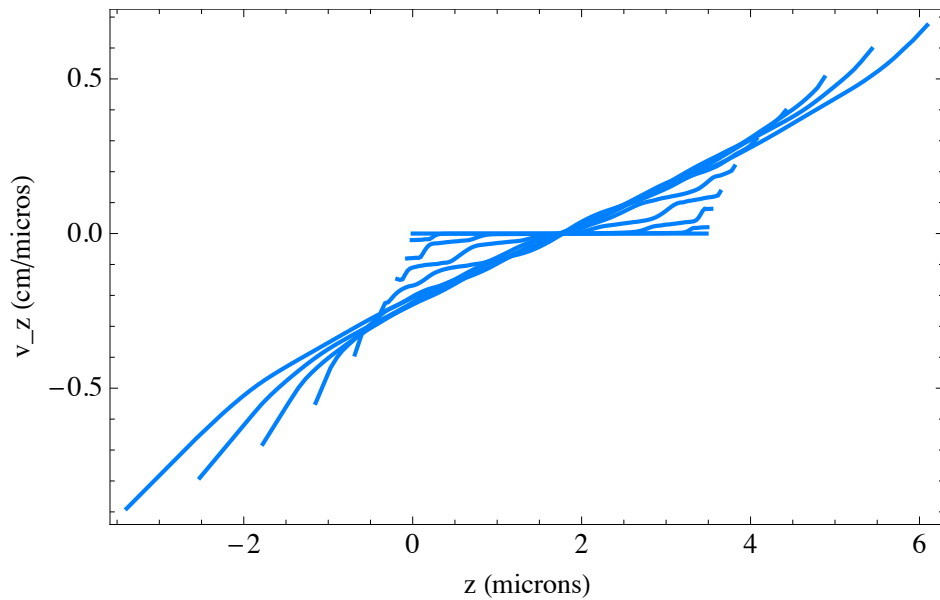
<b>Laser Indirect Drive</b>	<b><math>\sim 2\text{-}4\%</math></b>
<b>Laser Direct Drive</b>	<b><math>\sim 5\text{-}8\%</math></b>
<b>Heavy ion direct drive with energy ramp</b>	<b><math>\sim 25\%</math></b>

<b><math>\sim 10</math></b>
<b><math>\sim 25</math></b>
<b><math>\sim 100</math></b>

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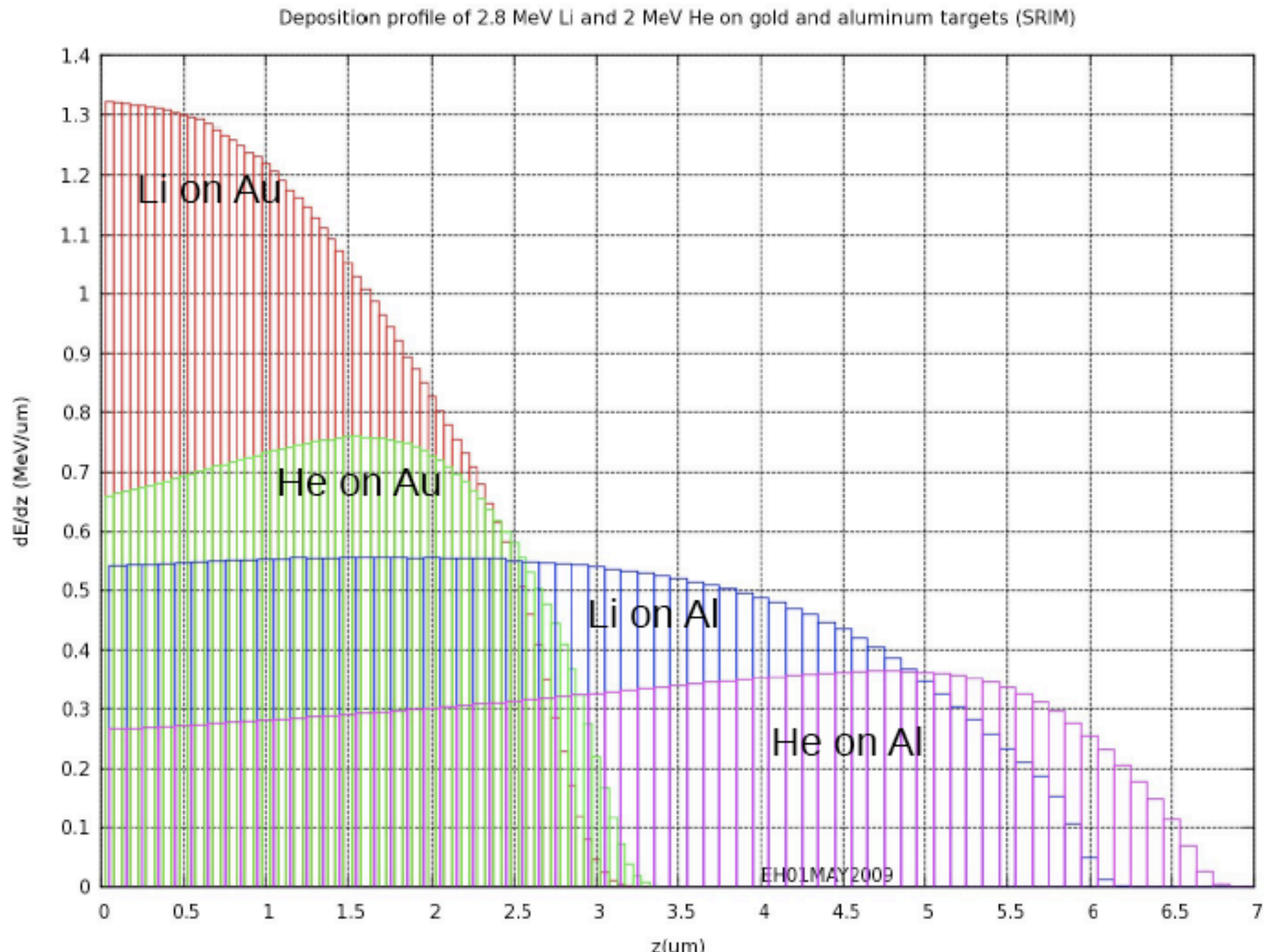
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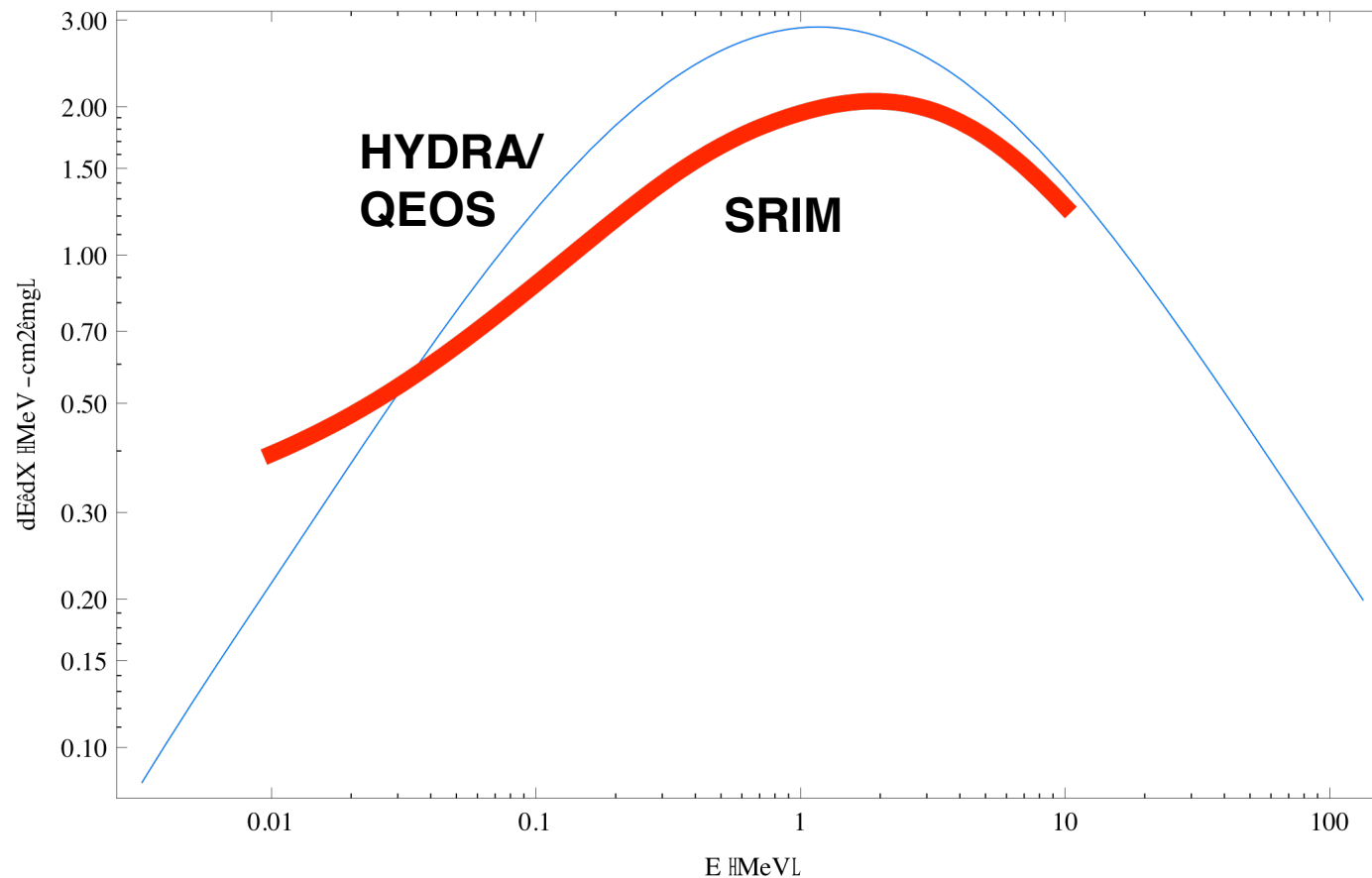


# Deposition profiles from TRIM

FH01 Enrique Hernandez-Sanchez SRIM talk May 10, 2009

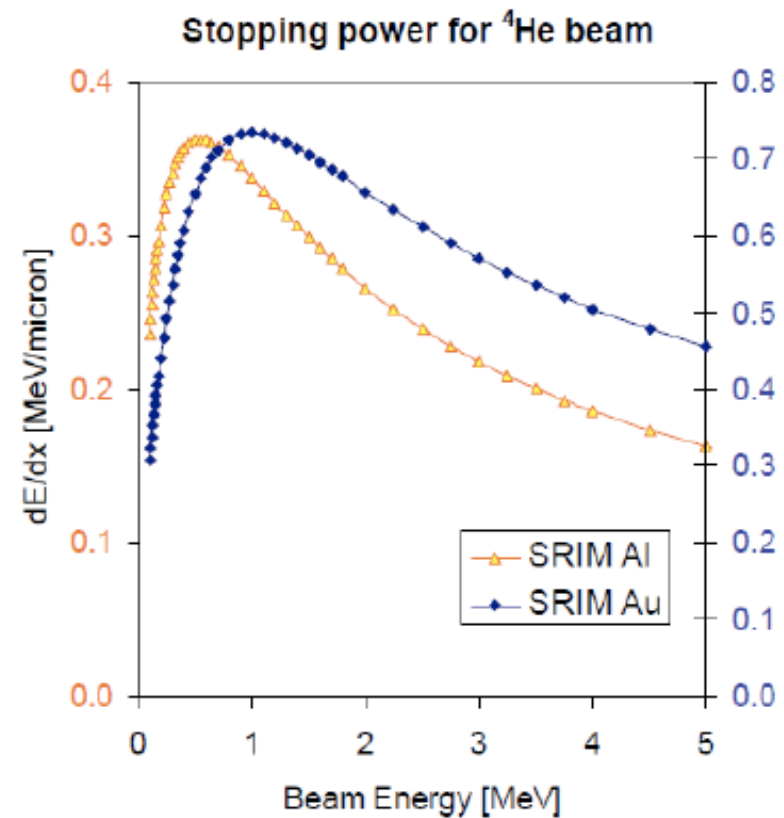
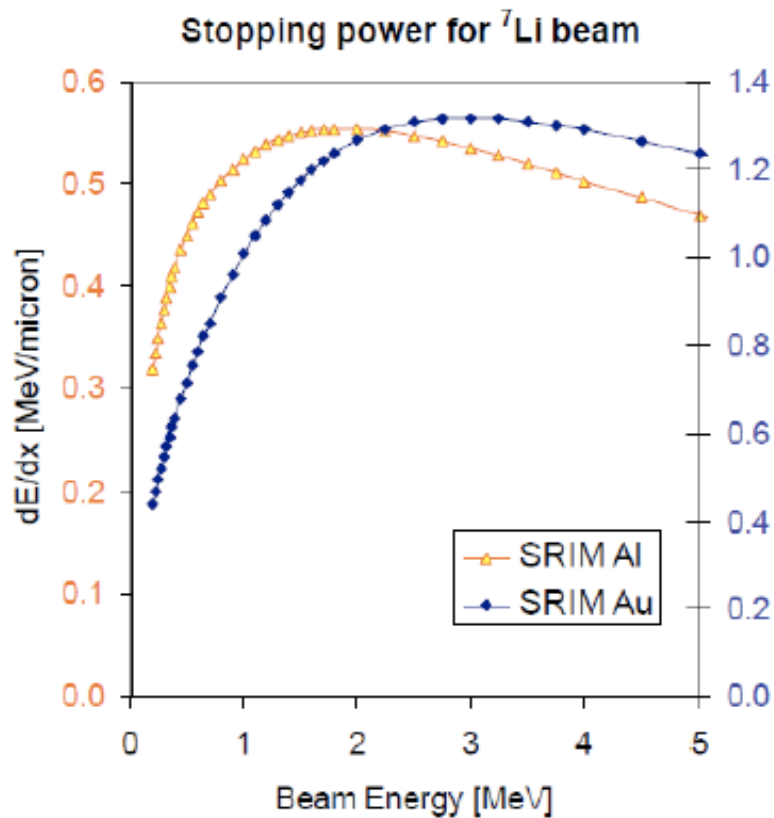


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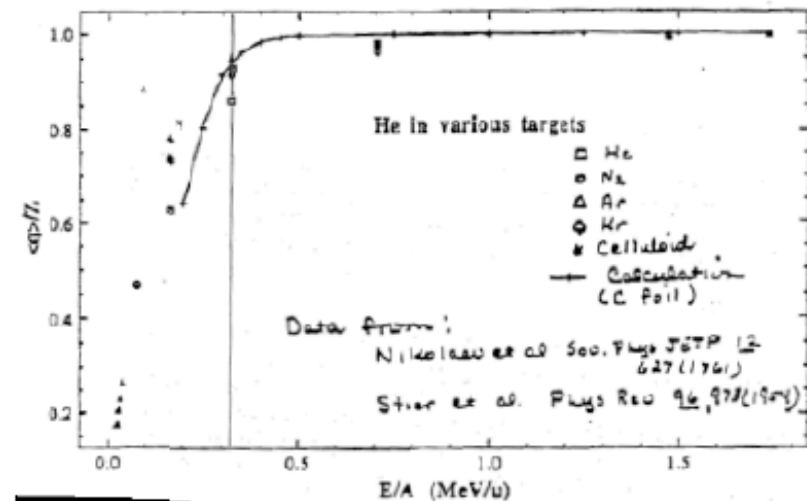
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## Comparison between Li and He stopping in target.

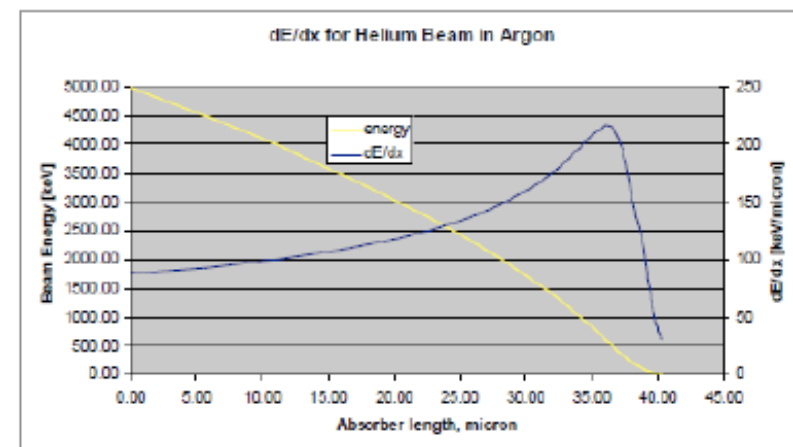
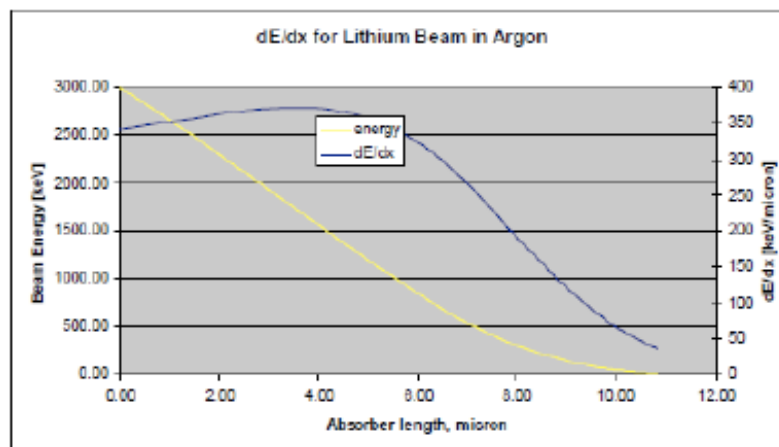


## He vs Li.

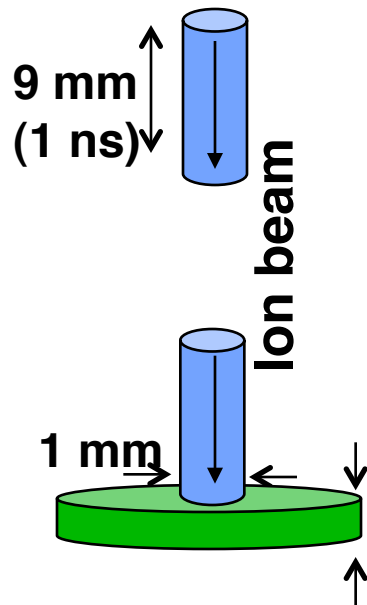
- He source may have
  - Higher current density, but
  - higher emittance than Li
- Option exists to strip  $\text{He}^+$  to  $\text{He}^{++}$  at  $\sim 1$  MeV
- He longer range by factor  $\sim 2$ -4
  - Reduced sensitivity to hydro expansion
  - Increased requirement for beam current



Martin Schulze, ca. 1991



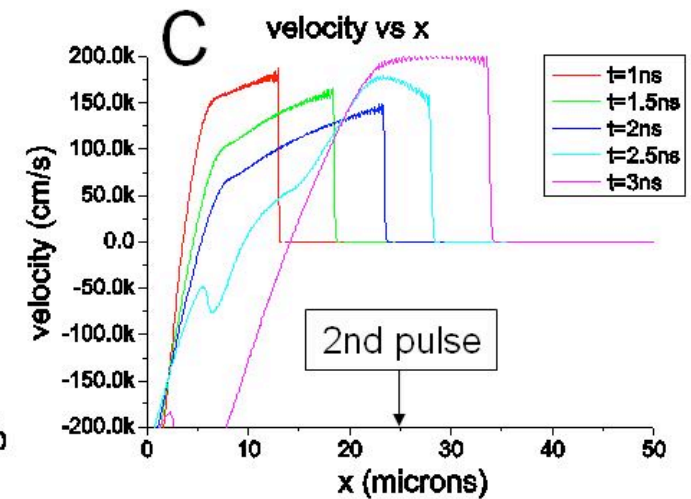
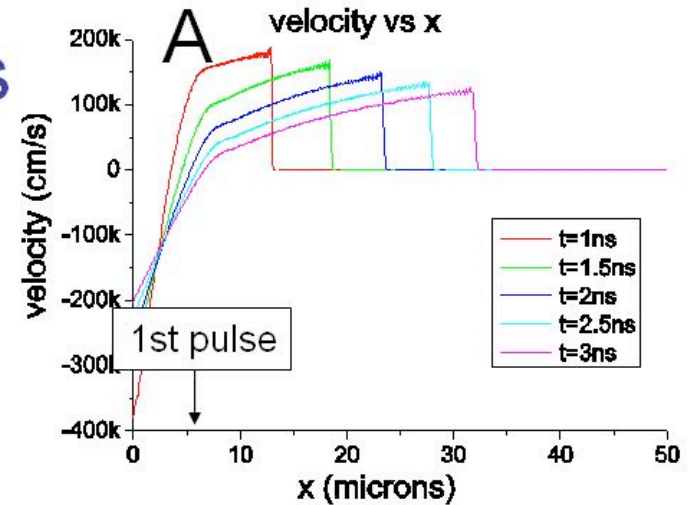
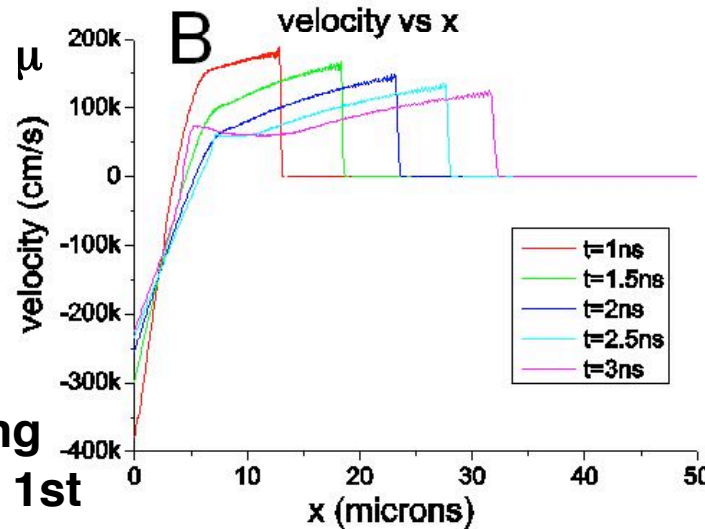
# Simulations show that an NDCX II double pulse experiment could confirm benefits of double pulsing



Ion:  $\text{Li}^+$  or  $\text{Li}^{++}$   
 Target: **Solid Ar**  
 Intensity: 30 J/cm<sup>2</sup>  
 (each pulse)  
 Each pulse: 1 ns long  
 2nd pulse, 1ns after 1st  
 Simulations by Siu Fai Ng  
 (DISH; vdw EOS)

## Simulation Results

Case	$E_1$	$E_2$
A	1 MeV	0 MeV
B	1 MeV	1 MeV
C	1 MeV	6 MeV



(simulations by Vietzer indicate room temp Al foam also candidate)

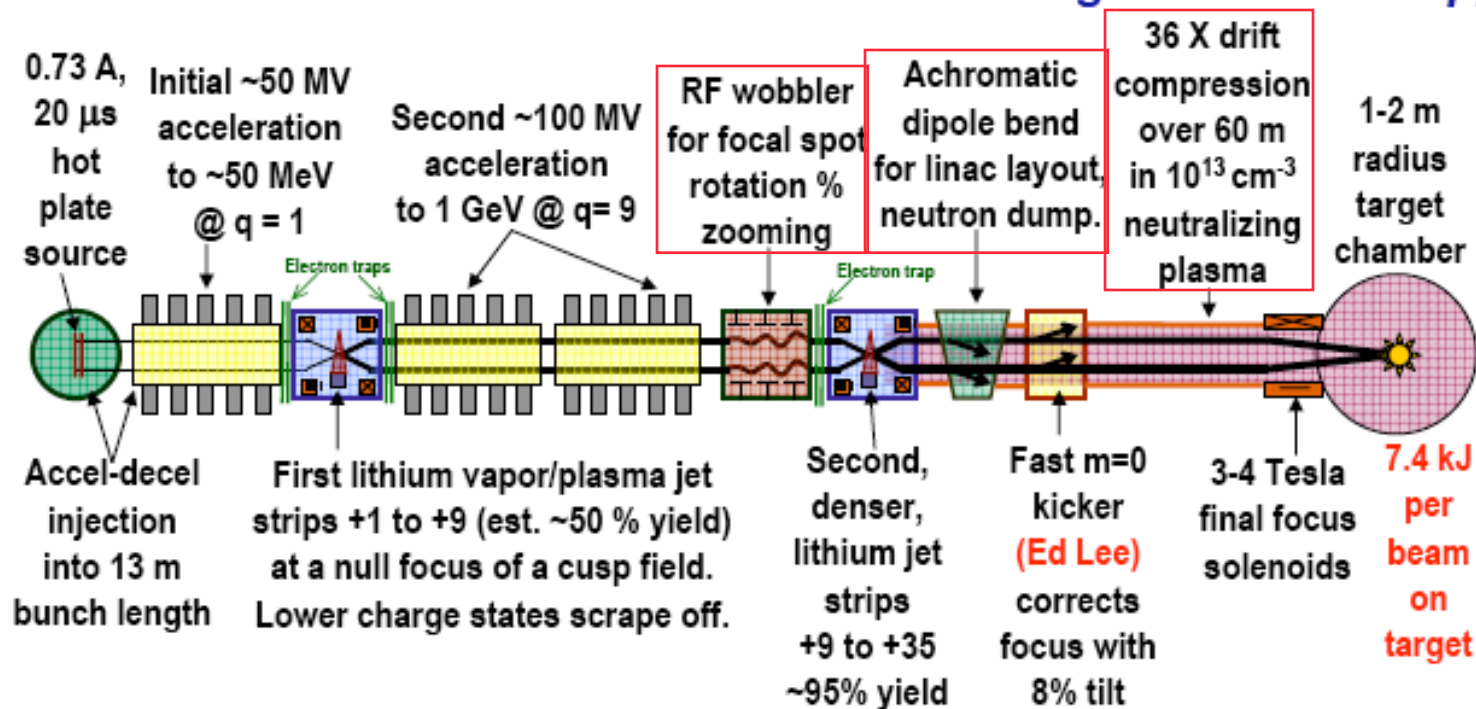
## In addition to target physics, NDCX II will serve as a platform for driver beam physics tests

- RF Wobbler dynamics
- beam bending
- beam-plasma interactions

- unneutralized acceleration with bunch compression
- neutralized bunch compression and final focus

Example of one module of driver:

*1 GeV Rubidium<sup>+9</sup> beam linac module with two stages of beam stripping.*



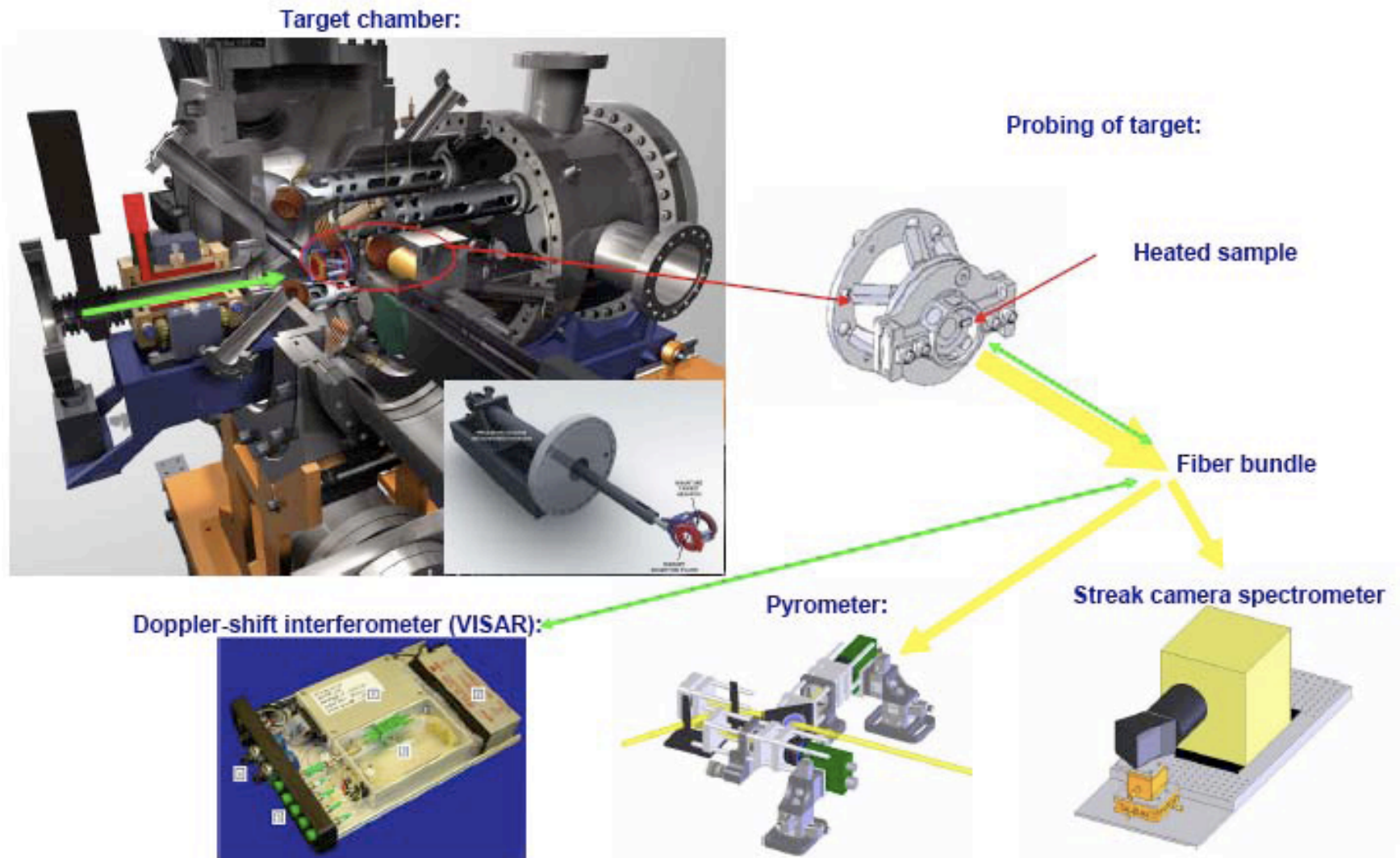


**We have identified a series of warm dense matter experiments that can begin on NDCX-I at Temperature  $< 1$  eV**

	Target temp.	NDCX-1	NDCX-2
Metallic foam experiments at GSI	$\sim 0.5$ eV		
Measure target temperature using a beam compressed both radially and longitudinally	Low	✓	
Thin target dE/dx, energy distribution, charge state, and scattering in a heated target	Low	✓	
Positive - negative halogen ion plasma experiment	$> 0.4$ eV	✓	✓
Two-phase liquid-vapor metal experiments	0.5-1.0	✓	✓
Critical point measurements	$> 1.0$	?	✓
Ion deposition and coupling experiments	$> 1.0$		✓
Collapsing bubble experiments	$> 1.0$		✓

time

# NDCX I now uses a suite of optical diagnostics





# NDCX II covers WDM region -- a region of large uncertainty in EOS

